Dedicated Work Is Told By Deaconess

April 7 1959

The joy of serving was brought home to Trinity Lutheran women recently, when Sister Bernice Sjoberg, of the Deaconess Institute of Omaha, spoke before the ALCW on "What Is a Deaconess?"

Sister Sjoberg, a deaconess at Columbia hospital, outlined the history and work of the deaconesses, after the meeting was opened by devotions led by Mrs. John Christians and the hymn "Follow Me."

Mrs. Edmund Elliott, first president of the local charter club of Augustana Lutheran church women, announced her committees for the year as follows: Project and service, Mrs. Casper Paulson, chairman, Mrs. Elmer Blomquist, Mrs. Marion Swift, Deaconess Sjoberg; education and program, Mrs. Gunnar Johanson, chairman, Mrs. William Seeborg, Mrs. Leonard Schalk, Mrs. John Simonsen; membership, Mrs. Noah Squires, chairman, Mrs. Jack Wood, Mrs. Edward Swanson, Mrs. James Ingleton; and greeting card chairman, Miss Esther Larson.

Initial meeting of the units, into which the combined groups of the church are now organized into one, were held in March, with the following elected leaders: Mrs. Ed Abrahamson, chairman, Mrs. Glen Larson, recorder, Ruth unit; Mrs. Fred Nordstrom, chairman, Mrs. Carl Moberg, recorder, Lois unit; Mrs. Lawrence Peterson, chairman, Mrs. John Floyd, recorder, Martha unit.

During the business session, it was decided to present each confirmant with the youth magazine "One." A yearbrook will be distributed to the membership, which now includes all women of Trinity church, and is open to all interested women.

Delegates to the Columbia conference in Seattle was Mrs. Carl Moberg. Announcement was made of Evanglism Week in May, which will include a family dinner May 10.

Mrs. Seeborg presided at the camellia centered tea table where a surprise birthday cake was brought out for Deaconess Sjoberg.

Lent Finds Women of Trinity Busy

"Lent Around the World," a special service put on for the Women of Trinity at their March meeting, ushered in the Lenten season for the women of Trinity Lutheran.

Mrs. Edmund Elliott opened the service and, after hymns, Mrs. Casper Paulsen led the Scripture and prayer.

Speakers during the service conducted by Ruth unit, were Mrs. Gearhart Backlund, leader, assisted by the Mesdames Elmer Blomquist, Robert Cordiner, Robert Morrison, Jack Wood and Allard Conger.

Mrs. William Seeborg sang "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" and "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," two beloved hymns, accompanied by Mrs. William Petersen. The closing hymn was "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

During the business meeting, the Trinity Womens' yearbooks, which lists members and officers names and committee workers, was distributed to those present.

Mrs. Gunnard Johanson announced that the April meeting will be a mission rally. The March unit meetings are devoted to preparing old Christmas cards to be sent to Japan for use as visual aids in mission work and the cutting and rolling of bandages for Africa. Members were also urged to bring books to the lending library.

Mary Martha circle members served refreshments, with Mrs. Lawrence Petersen and Mrs. James Henderson presiding.

Trinity Lutheran Mission Group Hears Speaker

May

The Augustana Lutheran church women of Trinity Lutheran were told by the Rev. W. Erickson, evangelism director of the Minnesota synod, that auxiliaries are "a door to the church" in many instances.

The Rev. Mr. Erickson addressed the group at a recent session in connection with the church evangelism program. Explaining "evangelism" as a "sharing of the Gospel," he outlined specific phases as self study, interpretation and planning, working and follow through. These and the duties of members were discussed.

Devotions were led by Sister Bernice Sjoberg, with special music given by an eighth grade girls chorus from John Jacob Astor school, directed by Mrs. John Elliason.

During the social hour, Lois unit members were hostesses with Mrs. Ragnor Hoyer pouring.

Unit meetings during April featured discussion of the worship service; symbols, helps and altar guild projects. Mrs. Carl Moberg gave reports on the women's conference held in Seattle.

Collecting nylon hose to be used for rug weaving by handicapped people was the service project for the month.

The ALCW will bring old sheets for making bandages to the May meetings of the units, according to Mrs. Casper Paulson, service chairman. These will be sent to foreign missions.

Trinity Lutheran ALCW Units at Work on Projects

1959

Trinity Lutheran ALCW units completed a project of bandage rolling for African missions and climaxed the July meetings with a joint luncheon picnic at the church recently.

Sewing bees for making Boy Scout scarfs for the newly organized troop at Trinity Lutheran were also held, and plans are now being made for summer "Christmas" parties in August, when gifts for foreign mission hospitals and schools will be brought.

Devotions at the potluck luncheon were led by Mrs. Carl Moberg and group singing was led by the Rev. William Peterson, with Miss Ethel Wicks at the piano.

Japan Mission Work Related to Trinity Women

1959

Women of Trinity were given a "history lesson" recently on missions in Japan, when Sister Bernice Sjoberg traced from the beginning the Augustana Lutheran efforts there.

With the aid of a large map, missions fields were pointed out and work described. Adding to the interest were articles on the subject read by Mrs. James Henderson and Mrs. John Christians.

Preceding the program, two hymns were sung by the group, accompanied on the piano by Mrs Mabel Swift. Mrs. Gunnar Johanson led devotions with emphasis on "Ten Simple Rules for Prayer"

Mrs. William Seeborg, delegate to the Augustana Lutheran churchwomen's conference in Missoula, Mont., recently, reported on this second annual convention. Mrs. Seeborg, who serves on the education committee at Trinity Lutheran, found that the workshops on education and finance particularly informative. Talks on youth, Bible camps, pointing out the spiritual health need in young people were heard, along with reviews on recommended books. Miss Evelyn Stark, executive director of ALCW, recently returned from a world tour of Lutheran missions spoke at the Centennial luncheon, which had as its theme "Around the World in One Short Day."

During the business session, Trinity women voted to assist the church furnace fund with $200 and to buy a new addressing machine for the church.

Refreshments were served by the Lois unit, with Mrs. Ella Riswick in charge and Mrs. Fred Nordstrom, president, presiding at the coffee urn.

Trinity Lutheran ALCW Will Hold Seattle Mission

1959

Hearing of the work done at the Lutheran Compass mission in Seattle was the feature of the recent meeting of the ALCW of Trinity Lutheran church.

Deaconess Hilda Erickson, Seattle, was a guest speaker, telling how the mission deals with the human derelicts that come to the mission for help and how "The Compass" helps to steer them right.

The ALCW units groups will follow through in aiding the Seattle mission by donating socks, razor blades, good literature and by sewing new curtains for the building.

by Mrs. Jack Wood

German sailors and members of Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, enjoy a fellowship hour sponsored by the Women of Trinity. Pastor William Petersen is seen on the left.

They Sang for Their Supper

The women of Trinity in Astoria, Oregon, ventured out on a hospitality mission to German sailors stationed in their town and discovered an opportunity for bettering international relations and extending the ministry of the church in the community.

"IT ALWAYS IMPRESSES ME deeply when I remember that our people have been enemies for years and now we stay together. We are friends; our armed forces, they stay combined in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

"We thank you and the members of your parish for the impressive hospitality and friendship you have shown us here in your community. We feel very, very deeply impressed by this; and we were not prepared to find it that way."

These words were spoken by Lt. Fritz Spandenberg of the German Navy at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Astoria, Oregon, on a Sunday evening a few months ago.

He and his command of 125 German sailors had arrived by plane in Portland, Oregon, and gone directly to Tongue Point U. S. Naval Base at Astoria, Oregon. This spring the flag of the German Federal Government is flying for the first time over a naval vessel in the Pacific Ocean area at Tongue Point, where these men are preparing three LST tank landing ships that have been purchased by the German Republic.

As soon as the Astoria ALCW became aware of the presence of the German sailors in their midst, the wheels were put in motion. What can

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Mrs. Jack Wood is president of the "Women of Trinity," the Augustana Lutheran Church Women of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon.

German Navy Men To Leave Tuesday

The German navy contingent, probably the most popular foreign navy group ever to visit this area, is scheduled to depart Tongue Point on board three former US LST's at 8 a.m. Tuesday.

The commanding officers of the three vessels are holding a reception on board the A-1405, formerly the USS LST 1101, at pier 6, Tongue Point, from 6:30 to 8:30 p. m., Monday.

Most of the group of 124 men arrived here in mid-November. Since their arrival, the Germans became increasingly popular as a result of their many activities in the community, including donations to the Triumph-Mermaid memorial fund, and the appearances locally of their choir, which performed here and as far away as Seattle.

After leaving here, the group will sail to San Diego, and then proceed down the coast, through the Panama Canal, and on to Bremerhaven, Germany.

The three vessels will be under command of Lt. Fritz Spangenberg, Lt. Arno Schade and Lt. Hans Von Stackelberg.

If the vessels get under way as scheduled, they should be opposite Astoria at about 8:30 a. m.

March 28, 1961

we do to make their stay in our country more pleasant, we thought. How can we show them the heart of our nation—the home and the church?

Late in 1960 when Korean and Ecuadorian sailors had been in Astoria the ALCW had invited them personally to their church and homes. Much joy was realized in this service toward better international relationships. Remembering this, it was decided to invite the German sailors for a buffet supper and fellowship hour in our church one Sunday evening while they were stationed here.

With great pleasure the ladies set about making plans when they were told to expect more than one hundred sailors for morning services as well as at the evening fellowship affair.

At 5 P.M. a buffet supper was served to 250 people. Enthusiasm was at a high peak as members, children, and German sailors mingled and visited. Language was no barrier particularly, since the Germans spoke English.

During the fellowship hour the church choir sang, honoring the guests. The German commanding officer expressed his gratitude in their behalf and then introduced the German chorus.

This was indeed the high point of the evening as sailors seated among the congregation came forward and sang two rousing marching songs and two favorite German melodies. The evening concluded with the movie *Martin Luther,* which was filmed in Germany.

Thus the Astoria ALCW ventured out on a hospitality mission to the foreigners in their midst. It is their prayer that others in the community may realize this opportunity for service. When the sailors returned on following Sundays to attend the worship services, there was competition to see who could obtain them as guests in their home! The German chorus later gave concerts in Seattle, Washington, and Portland and Astoria, Oregon, as well as appearing on TV.

Opportunities are unlimited for service through action by members of churchwomen's organizations. The heart of hospitality is Christian love, whether it be shown to a neighbor, an international student, or a foreign serviceman who needs befriending.

As Christians we remember God's command that "the stranger who sojourns with you shall be to you as the native among you and you shall love him as yourself." (Lev. 19:34)

High point of the evening came when the sailors, seated with the congregation, stepped forward to sing for their hosts.

Trinity Women To Send Member To Conference

March 7, 61

Mrs. William S. Petersen was elected delegate to the Columbia conference convention for Women of Trinity of the Augustana Lutheran Church Women to be held in Boise, April 10-15. Mrs. Jack Wood was elected alternate.

The recent meeting began with a potluck luncheon in the parish house at which Lois unit served as hostesses. Mrs. Vernon Leach gave the scripture reading and prayer.

The following announcements were made: the April program will be open to the congregation and will feature a speaker on Lutheran welfare; new books are available for members in the ALCW library; unit projects for the month will consist of rolling bandages by Lois unit, mending choir music by Mary Martha unit and sending of goodies to Pioneer Home in Colton by Ruth unit; the organization of a chancel committee by Mrs. Gunnar Johanson; the cleaning of the parish house and church kitchen in which 22 members participated; a directory of names and addresses of Trinity church members to be compiled by Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg and proofed by Mrs. Fred Wolleson.

"Sounds in Lent," a devotional program led by Mrs. William Petersen featured colored slides of Bible pictures with narrations by Mrs. James Barker, Mrs. Simonson, Mrs. E. C. Elliott and Mrs. G. Backlund. Included in the description of the pictures were vocal solos by the Rev. William Petersen and Mrs. William Seeborg.

4/1961

The Womens Association
of the First Presbyterian Church of Astoria
cordially invites you to their
Silver Tea
honoring Lord and Lady Astor
in observance of the
one hundred-fiftieth anniversary
of the founding of Astoria
on Wednesday afternoon, the twelfth of April
from two to five o'clock
at the home of Miss Marjorie Halderman
four hundred and sixty-nine Bond Street

Some of the 29 members of the Augustana Lutheran Church Women, who chartered a bus for the first time to attend the Mt. Hood district meeting in Portland of ALCW, are shown boarding the bus with their pastor, the Rev. William Petersen. Left to right, front row, Mrs. Arthur Stromsness, Mrs. William Petersen, Mrs. James Henderson, Mrs. Carl Moberg and Mrs. Gearhart Backlund. Second row, left, the Rev. Mr. Peterson, Mrs. Roland Peterson, Mrs. Ella Riswick (in back of Mrs. Henderson, Sister Bernice Sjoberg, behind Mrs. Moberg, and in doorway of bus Mrs. Jack Wood, left, and Mrs. John Simonson.

Feb. 7, '61

ALCW Charters Bus to Portland District Meeting

Members of the Augustana Lutheran church women of Trinity Lutheran, chartered a special bus Tuesday to attend the Mt. Hood district annual meeting, held at the Augustana Lutheran church in Portland. The Rev. William Petersen and 27 women boarded the bus at 6:45 a.m. to be there in time for a morning business session and book display. A special luncheon and an afternoon educational and inspirational meeting followed.

A report on this the first meeting attended in a body by the Astoria women will be made at the Women of Trinity meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday at the parish house. Mrs. John Simonsen is planning an unusual presentation of the Portland session.

Thursday's program will also feature an Augustana centennial observation, under the direction of Gertrude Johnson.

ALCW officers making the trip Tuesday were the Mesdames Jack Wood, president; John Simonsen, vice-president; Ella Riswick, secretary; Roland Peterson, treasurer; William Petersen, education chairman; Arthur Stromsness, membership chairman; Carl Moberg, chairman of Lois unit; G. Backlund, chairman of Ruth unit; Jim Henderson, chairman of Mary Martha unit; and Sister Bernice Spoberg, service chairman.

ALCW 'Spends' Afternoon In Hong Kong

May 2nd 1961

Women of Trinity brought closer to home the Lutheran church in Hong Kong, when the May meeting featured a simulated Broadcast "ALCW to Hong Kong."

During the "broadcast," Mrs. Ragnor Hoyer interviewed "Chinese Women" who have benefitted from Lutheran world relief, showing that LWR showed great concern for "the people as a whole, not just as souls to be saved.' Playing the part of Chinese women in the skit were Mrs. John Simonsen, who was in charge of the program, Mrs. Gearhart Backlund and Mrs. Al Henderson.

Members and guests were greeted by hostesses in Chinese costumes, and the rooms were gay with blossoms, lanterns, parasols and dolls, while Chinese music played in the background. Lending atmosphere was a gift bazaar, where guests could place orders for hand-made gifts from refugees in Hong Kong. Lisa Wolfgram, also in costume, distributed literature on Hong Kong.

Hymns sung during the program were "Where Cross the Crowded Ways" and "In Christ There is No East and West," with Mrs. M. L. Swift reading devotions.

Mrs. Jack Wood, president, introduced Mrs. Elliott as a new service chairman. It was announced that May project was to bring "Kiddie Kits" to unit meetings. Mention was also made of a featured article about Trinity church's entertaining the German sailors, written by Mrs. Wood in the Lutheran Women's magazine.

The nominating committee announced the following slate of officers for the new year: Mrs. Esther Petersen, vice-president; Mrs. William Seeborg, recorder; Mrs. Ella Riswick, membership. Mrs. Wood's term as president is for one more year.

Hostesses for the "Hong Kong" afternoon were Ruth unit members. Mrs. Albert Engbretson poured at the pink table centered with a goddess of mercy, magnolia at her feet.

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Welfare Director Is Speaker for Lutheran Women

An insight into Lutheran welfare, its problems and benefits was given the Women of Trinity, when Karl Langbecker, executive director of Lutheran welfare in Oregon, spoke before the group at the April meeting in the church.

Introduced by Mrs. William Petersen, Langbecker cited various cases, and said the bigegst problem in reaching the unchurched is to overcome the sense of isolation. The greatest overall cause of problems, he said, is the breakdown of family life. With family guidance, other areas of service include lay visitations, clothing drives for Lutheran relief and making contracts for Lutheran immigration service.

Mrs. Gearhart Backlund read the Scripture and Miss Bernice Amundsen sang a solo, accompanied by Mrs. Petersen.

12/4/61

Trinity Women Have Charge of Advent Service

An Advent prayer service, "Jesus, the Light of the World," was observed by Trinity Lutheran church on a recent day when other church groups all over the world were observing the same day.

Women of Trinity conducted the service, which started with a processional by the women's choir. Mrs. Don Muhlig introduced the program; Mrs. Elmer Blomquist read the theme; Mrs. Walter Mathre read from the Scriptures; Mrs. Arni Rautio read from the Old Testament; Mrs. John Simonson, the Epistle; and Mrs. Oscar Abrahamson, the Gospel. Following the singing of "Rock of Ages" by the choir, Psalm 27 was read responsively. Mrs. William Petersen gave the meditation, after which two Advent hymns were sung

Special prayers were given by Mrs. Edmund Elliott for the church; by Mrs. Robert Morrison. for grace; by Mrs. James Henderson for missions and by Mrs. Gearhart Backlund for mankind.

The Rev. William Petersen concluded the service with the benediction.

9/12/1961

Women of Trinity Open Fall Season

Women of Trinity, the unified women's organization at Trinity Lutheran church, began their fall program Tuesday with a surprise program.

As the program developed, the theme was revealed to be the family spirit of the Christian church. Several members spontaneously told of their experiences of the summer months.

New officers for the coming year were then installed, as follows: vice president, Mrs. Lawrence Petersen; secretary, Mrs. William Seeborg; membership chairman, Mrs. Ella Riswick; chairman Lois unit, Mrs. John Simonsen; chairman Mary-Martha unit, Mrs. Oscar Abrahamson; and chairman Ruth unit, Mrs. Arne Rautio.

September 13, 15 members of the Women of Trinity traveled to Corvallis for a meeting of the Mount Hood district. A program of instruction and inspiration was enjoyed in the morning, followed by a luncheon at the tea room of the student union building of Oregon State university. The afternoon speaker was Dr. Warren Hovlund, head of the university's department of religion, who spoke on "The Place of Religion on the Campus." The Astoria women who attended felt it was a day well spent.

DEAR FRIEND:

The Crystal Ball announces that you are to be a guest at the GOLDEN AGE LUNCHEON on November 7, 1961, at 12 o'clock, in the Parish House of the Trinity Lutheran Church.

If you wish transportation, please call Mrs. L. Petersen at FA 5-3227.

From your ALCW.

R.S.V.P.

Women of Trinity 1962

The purpose of this organization is to unite the women of the congregation and develop in them a sense of responsibility to the total program of the Church through the Augustana Lutheran Church Women membership, education, and service. This program begins right where you are and extends out to the overseas operations of the Church. Concern for others grows out of love and devotion to the Lord of the Church; He it is Who motivates through the Holy Spirit a desire to serve.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women of Trinity will be on the first Tuesday of each month, alternating afternoon (2:00) and evening (8:00) meetings.

The Unit meetings are as follows:

LOIS UNIT	3rd Wednesday - 2 pm
MARY MARTHA UNIT	3rd Tuesday - 8 pm
RUTH UNIT	4th Thursday - 10 am

OFFICERS OF THE WOMEN OF TRINITY

President:	Mrs. Jack Wood
V-President:	Mrs. L. Petersen
Secretary:	Mrs. W. Seeborg
Treasurer	Mrs. Roland Pettison

OFFICERS OF UNITS

LOIS:	Mrs. J. Simonson, Chm.
	Mrs. C. Moberg, V-Chm.
	Mrs. J. Ingleton, Rec.
MARY MARTHA	Mrs. O. Abrahamson, Chm.
	Mrs. G. Johanson, Rec.
RUTH	Mrs. A. Rautio, Chm.
	Mrs. M. Taylor, Rec.

COMMITTEES

Membership:	Mrs. Ella Riswick, Chm.
	Mrs. Henry Larson (L)
	Mrs. J. Henderson (MM)
	Mrs. R. Cordiner (R)
Education & Program:	Mrs. Wm. Petersen, Chm.
	Mrs. G. Backlund (R)
	Mrs. M. Swift (L)
	Mrs. E. Abrahamson (MM)
	Miss G. Johnson, Librn.
Project & Service:	Mrs. E. Elliott, Chm.
	Mrs. G. Johanson, Chancel
	Mrs. R. Nordstrom, Cong.
	Mrs. F. Jauert, Comm.
	Mrs. C. Balsley, Prayer
	Mrs. N. Rasmussen, Visit.
	Mrs. R. Peterson, Offer.
	Mrs. V. Leach, Mission
Greeting Chm.	Miss E. Larson
Wedding Recep.	Mrs. E. Elliott
Reporter	Mrs. E. Blomquist
Subs. Chm.	Miss G. Johnson

Guests of honor at Golden Age luncheon, given by Women of Trinity are, from left, seated, Mrs. Wilhelm Johnson, Mrs. Charles Soderberg, Miss Esther Larson, Mrs. C. H. Grimstad, Mrs. Paul Kraetch, Mrs. Henry Elfving and Mrs. Sophia Sjosten. Standing, from left, Miss Agnes Young, the Mesdames Hilma Blomquist, Oliver Layzell, Verdella Wildt, Theodore Olson, Hulda Cederberg, Christine Wisbeck, Hannah Soderberg, J. E. Wicks, Irene Olson, Carl Moberg, Emma Aspmo, Miss Ann Bergman, Mrs. Carl Hendrickson, Irene Christians; Anna Libell and Dora Backlund. Not in the picture were the Mesdames Anna Iverson, Selma Mackey, Nels Rasmussen, Palmberg Schmidt, Herman Slotte. (Daily Astorian Photo)

Guests Enjoy Golden Age Luncheon

A happy and festive event took place Tuesday at Trinity Lutheran church, when 24 senior women of Trinity were honored at a "Golden Age" luncheon by the Women of Trinity.

Each guest was presented with a chrysanthemum corsage and name tag as she was greeted at the door, while golden chrysanthemums and candles, gold "lace" place mats and napkins at each place on the luncheon table further carried out the theme. Both English and Swedish prayers were given by the Rev. William Petersen.

The guests were welcomed by Mrs. Jack Wood, president of Women of Trinity, and following the luncheon, the program opened with everyone singing the hymn "Break Thou the Bread of Life." Mrs. Fred Nordstrom led the devotions and Mrs. William Seeborg sang "Thanks Be to God," accompanied by Mrs. Petersen. The group also sang "What a Friend We Have In Jesus" and "Look Not Back."

Theme of the program was "hunger," with Mrs. Marion Swift "taking the members on a flight around the world." "Guides" were the Mesdames Edmund Elliott, Korea; Ragnor Hoyer, Hong Kong; and Chester Baisley, India, each showing need of these countries which Lutheran World Action helps to meet, by buying surplus grain and other foods from the government to feed nearly 2 million and by launching "Freedom from Hunger" through education, research and action. Members of ALCW were urged to be alert to ways of aiding locally on the Lutheran World Action program. The program concluded with a vocal duet by Mrs. Seeborg and the Rev. Mr. Petersen.

The guests of honor enjoyed singing old favorite hymns in both Norwegian and Swedish by the Rev Mr. Petersen, all joining in singing a verse of the Swedish hymn "Children of the Heavenly Father."

Mrs. J. E. Wicks voiced the appreciation of the guests by thanking their hostesses.

During the afternoon, announcements were made of the November 24 family potluck supper and advent prayer service; the December 25 Christmas party; and the gathering of canned and packaged foods at November unit meetings by Mrs. Edmund Elliott

Mrs. Carl Moberg expressed gratitude of the women for the opportunity to attend the retreat held at Trinity Lutheran, after the retreat, schedule at Menucha on the upper Columbia River highway, was cancelled. Mrs. Petersen, to have been a leader for the retreat at Menucha, shared her studies with local Lutheran women, and the success of the day's retreat here was evidenced in plans for more local ones.

The enthusiastic and heavy response shown by the Golden Age guests, insures more such luncheons in the future, Mrs. Lawrence Petersen, general chairman, promised.

Members of the choir of the Trinity Lutheran Church have taken on the project of renovating the hundreds of leathers and valves on their church organ, the biggest pipe organ in Astoria. The work is under the direction of Leonard Vernon, who is a pipe organ enthusiast.

Trinity Lutheran Churchwomen Let Memories Linger

An evening of reminiscing was spent Tuesday, when Trinity Lutheran church women met for their August meeting at the newly refurbished and recently dedicated Hilma Grush hall.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. James Henderson introduced the program "Do You Remember When . . ." in which the Mesdames Carl Moberg, Elsie Engbretson and Al Sorkki reviewed in turn the life of Mrs. Grush. Excerpts of minutes of meetings held years ago were read by several of the members.

A display of old pictures proved entertaining and also amusing, as many of the women recognized themselves and their friends in the pictures.

Refreshments were served by Mary Martha circle and devotions were led by Mrs. Edmund Elliott.

Members were reminded of the next meeting, to be held at 2 p.m. September 1 with installations on the agenda.

Mothers' Lunch Program at Church Features Germany

A showing of colored slides of Germany, and a piano solo comprised the program presented to Trinity Lutheran church women at their Mothers' luncheon Tuesday noon in the church social rooms.

Peter Hobbing, exchange student at Astoria high school from Heidelberg, Germany, who is making his home with the Jack Wood family, described Mother's Day customs in his home land and showed slides of various parts of Germany and of his family there. He then introduced his Astoria "brother" Greg Wood, who played a piano solo.

Mrs. Edmund Elliott read the "Legend of the Sand Dollar" as part of the devotions.

Garments the women had made for the children of Viet Nam were on display.

A seafood luncheon was served by the executive board at tables decorated with interesting pieces of driftwood and shrimp pink azaleas.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, June 1, at 8 p.m., when Bruce Richards, Portland high school teacher, who, for three years was a lay missionary teacher in Hong Kong, will show slides of China and discuss his work there and here.

Trinity Lutheran Church Women Honor Mothers

A slide showing, featuring scenes from Southeast Asia, and a program of music and readings honoring mothers of Trinity Lutheran church was presented to 76 people at a luncheon Tuesday noon in the church social rooms.

Donovan Mitchell, who with his wife recently traveled extensively throughout the far east presented an interesting and educational program of commentary and pictures he took in Halya, Cambodia, Thailand and Viet Nam.

Musical numbers were given by Miss Suzanne Soderberg, who sang unaccompanied "My Favorite Things" from the "Sound of Music" and "May the Good Lord Biess and Keep You;" and by Greg Wood, who played piano numbers, "Fur Elise" by Beethoven and "In the Hall of the Mountain King" by Grieg. A humorous reading "How We Kept Mother's Day" was given by Mrs. E. C. Elliott. Mrs. Howard McRostie gave the Mother's Day devotional and scripture reading.

Mrs. William Niemi, president of Trinity Lutheran Church Women, welcomed the mothers and guests. Mrs. William Seeborg was in charge of the program.

Decorating the tables at each setting were pink paper roses made my Mrs. John Haglund, membership chairman and her committee. Members of the Ruth unit served the luncheon which was prepared by Mrs. Chester Balsley, Mrs. Halley Johnson Mrs. Niemi and Mrs Elliott.

Trinity Women See Slides of Indian Mission

Slides of Rocky Boy Lutheran Indian mission near Box Elder, Mont., featured the October meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women in the church parlors Tuesday evening.

The colored pictures provided an enlightening program showing functions, cultures and traditions of the Chippewa-Cree tribe at Rocky Boy reservation and the work being done there by the Lutheran missionaries. Prior to the showing an introductory background was read by Mrs. William Seeborg, who was in charge of the program.

Flowers in the autumn colors, Indian dolls and teepees were arranged on tables by Mrs. John Haglund. Indian head name tags further added to the theme.

Mrs. A. Stromsness, subscription chairman of the magazine "Lutheran Women" announced that renewals can be made with her.

"Thank Offering" envelopes were distributed and will be received and dedicated at the next meeting November 2 at which time sewing for Columbia hospital will follow a potluck luncheon.

Mrs. E. Elliott of Lois unit, conducted devotions and refreshments were served by Mary Martha unit.

11-12-62

Trinity Women Have Lesson on Church Symbols

"The Meaning of Our Church Symbols" was presented at the November meeting of the Women of Trinity. Illustrations of a number of the symbols were displayed. The Rev. William Petersen explained them and answered questions. Mrs. Jack Wood explained Luther's coat-of-arms and Mrs. Foy Witbeck showed and explained the symbol of the new Lutheran Church Women.

A report of the LCW constituting convention, held in Seattle last month, was given by Mrs. Witbeck and Mrs. William Niemi. During the business meeting the women voted to join the new LCW auxiliary.

The women were reminded of the following dates: Advent day prayer services November 25; a retreat November 29, and the next meeting, The Christmas Story, December 4. The 1962-63 calendars were given to the women.

Mrs. Carl Moberg read devotions. Mary Martha unit served as hostesses.

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April 5 -- Retreat Day at Camp Colton.
If you can go and would like a ride, please call the church office.

April 8 to 14 -- National Library Week.
Let us remember to make better use of our own library located in the Parish House. There is a good selection of books available.

UNIT MEETINGS

Mary Martha -- April 17 at 8 pm at the home of Ethel Wicks, 792-16th St., Mrs. E. Westersund co-hostess.

Lois --------- April 18 at 2 pm in the Parish House. Mrs. J. Ingleton and Mrs. R. Hoyer, hostesses.

Ruth --------- April 26 at 10 am in the Parish House. Mrs. M. Fausett and Mrs. E. Swanson, hostesses.

PROJECTS FOR THE MONTH

Nylon hose and cotton material for rug making for home in Colton.
Baby clothes for migrant families - the need is desperate.
Save rummage for our sale May 14 to 19.

EXECUTIVE BOARD meeting April 30, 7:30 pm in the Parish House.

WOMEN OF TRINITY MOTHER'S DAY TEA on May 8 at 2 pm in the Parish House.
Hostesses - Ruth Unit.
Devotions - Lois Unit.

A special thanks to the following:
Mrs. Fred Jauert for making all the Boy Scout scarfs.
To all ladies who helped clean the church, March 28.
Mrs. N. Hedeen and Mrs. L. Snyder for serving coffee at the joint S. S. teachers meeting.

4-11-62

Lutherans Learn More About Merge

A clearer understanding of the meaning of merger to the individual Lutheran woman was made at the April meeting of the Women of Trinity in the church parlors, when special guests were from Zion Lutheran, Emmanuel of Brownsmead, and Our Saviour's Lutheran of Seaside.

The four-sided subject, the coming merger of four Lutheran bodies in America, AELC, Augustana, Suomi and ULCW synods, was presented in a theater-in-the-square setting. The combined synods will be known as "the Lutheran Church in America."

Mrs. Ed Abrahamson introduced the program, "What Merger Means to Me," a skit centered around a coffee table with parts taken by Mrs. Walter Mathre, leader, Mrs. Fred Frederickson, Mrs. John Haglund, Mrs. Marvin Taylor, Mrs. Glen Larson and Mrs. William Barrons, as the "globe-gazer." Mrs. Arne Rautio gave the devotions.

Mrs. Jack Wood opened the meeting and the following was recorded: announcement of delegates to Columbia conference in Seattle are Mrs. Fay Witbeck and Mrs. Carl Moberg; appeal made for nursery toys and clothing; and introductions of visiting church women.

Favorite hymns were sung by the gathering, accompanied on the piano by Miss Ethel Wicks. The Rev. William Petersen showed slides depicting statistical information of the merger and of some of the programs put on during the past year at Trinity.

Refreshments were served from a daffodil centered table, with Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Lawrence Petersen pouring. Mary Martha unit was hostess for the social hour.

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Trinity Women Hear Program

"Every Inch a Christian" was the program topic presented in two parts to Women of Trinity when they held the March meeting Tuesday in the Parish house of Trinity Lutheran church.

Mrs. Marion Swift introduced the program and presented Mrs. Ragnot Hoyer who spoke on "Everybody's Doing It." Miss Esther Larson presented "Is the Crowd Right or Wrong?" with Mrs. Swift bringing attention to the question "How far Shall I go with the Crowd?" The second part of the program delt with application of standards to everyday problems, with Mrs. John Simonsen and Mrs. Chester Bolsley as readers. Questioning considered was "What image are we creating and presenting to the rest of the world?" A questionnaire titled "Evaluating Personal Standards" was distributed for self-appraisal.

Preceding the program Mrs. Jack Wood welcomed guests and announced hymn "God Calling Yet." Devotions were read by Mrs. Foy Witbech. Others hymns sung during the afternoon were "Take My Life" and "In Christ There is no East or West," with Mrs. William Petersen at the piano.

Business included announcements by Mrs. William Petersen of April topic "What merger means to me;" a reminder to members to use the church lending library; a retreat to be held soon at Camp Colton; service projects by Mrs. Edmund Elliott to be coming toy shower, collection of rug cottons and nylons, and baby clothes for many migrant people in Oregon; Trinity Women will send two delegates to the Columbia Conference in Seattle May 1-4,; Mrs. Lawrence Petersen and Mrs. Wood read articles concerning "World Day of Prayer" experiences around the world.

Following the offering and table prayers, Lois unit served as hostesses with Mrs. Petersen asked to pour from a table centered with pink camellias.

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Children of Trinity Lutheran church look over exhibits from Africa during recent family mission festival which drew about 150 members and friends of church.

Family Mission Festival Draws Crowd to Trinity

The four-hour family mission festival held recently at Trinity Lutheran church was attended by 150 members of Trinity and visitors from other Lutheran churches of the area. Speaker was the Rev. Joseph Wold, missionary from Liberia, who is on furlough in Eugene.

The Rev. Mr. Wold spoke first to the children, illustrating his talk with slides and artifacts on life in Liberia. Adults viewed exhibits and displays in rooms of Grush Memorial hall and were asked to complete a questionnaire giving their opinions of the exhibits. The same procedure was later followed by the children with assistance of their Sunday school teachers. The children were also taught African games, songs, stories and crafts.

The Rev. Mr. Wold spoke of the problems faced by today's missionnaries in foreign lands. Also featured were a tape-recorded talk by Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg of Trinity, now a teacher in a mission school in Kiomboi, Tanzania; a letter read from the Rev. Irven Nelson, recently pastor of Trinity, who is now a missionary pastor in Montevideo, Uruguay, and a talk by the Rev. Bruce E. Pond, Trinity's pastor.

The dinner featuring foods common to African peoples was served by women of Trinity. Included were rice with curry, greens, coconuts, bananas and nuts. The closing devotions were given by the Rev. Mr. Pond.

Committee in charge of the festival included Mrs. Bruce Pond, chairman; Mrs. Doris

All Members Are Part of Guild's Yule Program

Everyone had a part in the annual Christmas party given recently by the Women of Trinity, as the members sang Advent and Christmas hymns between scenes of the program.

Mrs. John Simonsen narrated the program. A Christmas Parable, which featured the Mesdames James Henderson, Oscar Abrahamson, Foy Witbeck, Gearhart Backlund, Edwin Luoma and the Misses Janet Luoma, Nancy Nordstrom and Juilanne Wood.

Members of the junior confirmation class sang a Christmas hymn and Joyce Hendrickson played an accordion solo of two Christmas songs. Mrs. Marion Swift played the piano. Mrs. Don Muhlig, assisted by Mrs. Jack Wood, lead the women in games.

Ruth unit served refreshments at which time the women wrote Christmas letters to Mrs. Mary Nyland, Mrs. William Petersen and Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg. Devotions were read by Mrs. Wood.

The next meeting, entitled "Woman to Woman," will be a potluck luncheon on January 7.

Luther Leaguers Air Problems for TL Churchwomen

Teen-age problems and activities discussed by some of Trinity's Luther League members featured the April meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women in Hilma Grush hall.

A panel composed of Martha Rasmussen, Jeff Johnson, Nicki Fredrickson and Gregg Wood with Gary Peterson as moderator, discussed, in a lively manner, their opinions on social behavior, drinking among high school students, amount of home work and problems resulting from having a driver's license and owning a car.

Noted was the "lack of parental interest and discipline by some parents" although on the other hand the conflict between parents and teen-agers are diminishing. It was said that the drinking problem is caused mainly by the show-offs who like to brag about the amount of liquor consumed. The use of cars is also a contributing factor to the drinking problem. They noted however that automotive transportation is necessary to the working student. According to the participants grades drop among those who own cars. Also discussed was the time spent in home work and school activities which vary according to the importance placed by the student.

In summing up the opinions of the group the moderator stated that "a good education is important in achieving happiness" and that "cooperation with parents would make a better life for all concerned."

Musical numbers on the program included an unaccompanied vocal solo, "My Favorite Things" from the "Sound of Music" by Suzanne Soderberg and a piano solo, Greig's "In The Hall of the Mountain King" by Gregg Wood.

Becky Van Osdol reported on the Luther League Leadership school which she and [illegible] Wood attended. She [illegible] appreciation to LCW for sponsoring her.

A report on the Luther League retreat held at Camp Menucha in March was given by Janet Mattila. Camp Menucha is owned by the First Presbyterian church of Portland and is situated near Crown Point with a view of the Columbia River.

Michael Seeborg gave a report on the newly instituted religion course, "Love, Sex and Life" being taught by the Rev. Bruce Pond to a class of eleven Senior League members.

Announcements of forthcoming events were made by Kathy Abrahamson regarding Camp Colton summer camp dates; Gregg Wood about the Mt. Hood Luther League district meeting April 25, to be held at Zion Lutheran church in Astoria; and Bob Bergstrom on the LCA Luther League convention in Miami, Fla., August 24-29 for which about 8000 leaguers are expected.

Mrs. William Niemi, president, conducted a brief meeting in which she announced the Mother's Day luncheon will be held in the church social rooms May 4, and the LCW district assembly will be held at First Immanuel Lutheran church in Portland, April 29.

Mrs. Victor Mattila, child welfare worker for the State Wel- [illegible] history [illegible] made an appeal for [illegible] in charge of the youth program. Refreshments were served by the Mary Martha unit.

Wedding Party Dramatized for Trinity Women

A fashion show featuring a typical wedding party was the highlight of the June meeting of the Women of Trinity. The narrator of the show was Mrs. Jack Wood, with Mrs. Arne Rautio, Joyce Rautio, Monica Conger, Susan Mathre, Ann Brimberg and John Wood taking part.

Mrs. Robert Roeser introduced the remainder of the program, entitled "Here Comes The Bride." Those participating were Mrs. Al Sorkki, who sang Oh Perfect Love; Mrs. Elsa Simonsen, who read Elizabeth Barrett Browning's poem "How Do I Love Thee;" and Mrs Robert Van Osdol and Becky Van Osdol who dramatized a family discussion about the wedding ceremony. Mrs. Marion Swift played the piano.

Mrs. Foy Witbeck, president, reminded the women of the July 7 picnic at the home of Mrs. Anna Erickson. Mrs. Ragnor Hoyer presented the nominating committee's slate of officers, to be voted on at the June unit meetings.

Devotions were read by Mrs. Alta Schalk. Refreshments were served by the Mary Martha unit.

LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN -- SPECIAL REPORT

A Message to the Women of Trinity:

I am taking this means of sharing with all of you a wonderful experience which I had recently. As I'm sure you all realize, I am a very new member of the Women of Trinity, so when Pastor invited me to attend the Constituting Convention of the Lutheran Church Women held in Seattle on October 9th and 10th, I immediately said, "Who, me? I don't know a thing about the L.C.W." His answer was, "Well, this is a very good change to learn all about it." The more I thought about it, I realized that this was true. Of course, the fact that Pastor seems to have a special talent for "twisting" one's arm, may have had something to do with my accepting this challenge. However, I talked it over with my family and did much praying about it and I finally came to the conclusion that this opportunity to learn more of the Christian work being done by the Lutheran Church Women was something I just couldn't afford to pass up. I will forever be thankful to God for helping me make the right decision.

Words cannot express the wonderfully warm feeling there is among these women whose main goal is to be "Led by the Spirit" in all their undertakings. It seemed to me that each one that was called on to take part in this tremendous affair radiated a warmth and sincerity that only love of our Lord could inspire.

I think Esther Witbeck, our delegate, will agree with me when I say that I believe it would have been to our advantage - and by "our" I mean all the Women of Trinity - to have had better representation at the Convention. There are so many happenings at a convention of this magnitude that it is impossible for two people to bring home a comprehensive report. I certainly urge all of you, if you should ever have the opportunity to attend a convention such as this or a District Assembly meeting or any other gathering of the L.C.W., to by all means go. We may think we have all sorts of reasons for not being able to attend, but in lots of these cases, things can be worked out and I know you will always be thankful to God for presenting this wonderful chance to get together with your "Sisters in Christ."

I am sure you are all interested in the outcome of the election for officers of our Pacific Northwest Synod. They are as follows:

President	Mrs. Walter Knutson, Portland.
Vice President	Mrs. Emil Swanson, Seattle.
Secretary	Miss Ann Silver, Astoria.
Treasurer	Miss Helene Stein, The Dalles.

Our delegate, Esther Witbeck, will be giving a more complete report of the convention at our next meeting of the Women of Trinity to be held November 6. I know you will all want to be in attendance.

Yours in Christ,

Dorothy Niemi.

23 October 1962

From Mel Lindberg in Africa

February 5, 1963

Dear Friends:

I feel somewhat like the old, well-known phrase that says, "Friends, Romans, Countrymen! Lend me your ears!" But it is about time I should get a general report off to the many, many friends who have expressed such kindly interest and concern in my well-being -- so, thanks to Esther Petersen and her trusty mimeo, here I come.

My school days are slightly longer than most, because I have 3-4 piano students each school day (15 in all) from 3:30 on. Now, at 5:30, I am home from school, which is 1½ to 2 blocks from the house where I live. Feeling the need for a "snack", I just helped myself to a couple of bananas off the stalk on the back porch. There are usually one or two full stalks hanging there in various stages of ripeness, and are they ever good. They are smaller than the ones we have in the states, but much more flavorful, too.

As I came home this evening, I was impressed anew at the manner in which poinsettas grow here, almost like weeds. Unlike California's poinsettas, these do not tend to be at all rangy, and their color is as vivid a red as you can imagine.

At the moment I am teaching 24 youngsters in grades 1-2-3, while Mrs. Anne Hall, their regular teacher, is engrossed in the study of Swahili. So far, I know enough to say "Jambo" which is any and all forms of "howdy" that you are in the habit of using. I hope soon to become more articulate, for an African gentleman has agreed to teach me Swahili. He promises to be a demanding teacher, but I like that.

The House where I live has a very nice lawn (right now, when it's rainy, at least) and very colorful borders of flowers, which include bright yellow coreopsis, red geraniums, all the magenta shades that only zinnias can produce, red poinsettas and the browns and oranges of our crinkly-button-type marigolds. Some places have large beds of red-orange cannas. Here and there, seemingly wild, are huge bushes of purple and red-purple bougainvillea. When it rains, this is a <u>very</u> colorful country.

Before I came, many were the questions about the "rainy season". When the decision has been made in whatever place such affairs are determined, there is no fooling around with "Oregon Mist," the leaky-faucet type of drizzle all day, or the wetter-than-wet cloud that just won't get off the ground. Indeed not! The rain comes down in drops the size of a child's teacup, sometimes for over an hour at a time, and on our tin roofs, the result is similar to what it must be like inside a snare drum beating out double time. School teaching simply ceases, and everyone just enjoys a happy "busy time." (Here, <u>room</u> libraries are a <u>must</u>!) Within an hour after the rain has ceased, the sun may be out and shining as though nothing had ever happened! I have yet to see any day remain cloudy and overcast all day long. Nor does it get unbearably hot. The sun can be brilliantly bright, however, and I treasure my sun-glasses with my prescription lenses.

One particular little African boy who "hangs around" close by a great deal, intrigues me. The only visible garment he wears is a too-big shirt, the tails of which flop around his knees, and the side seams of which are ripped to the waist revealing, as he runs, a very naked, dark brown body beneath.

Trinity Women Told About Africa By Missionary

Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg who for the past six years has taught missionary children in Kioboi, Tanzonia, Africa spoke to Trinity Lutheran Church Women Tuesday in the church parlors.

Mrs. Lindberg, a member of Trinity, told of the different cultures, history and background of the Tanzanians and displayed her large collection of articles from Africa. In her collection, were wooden carved masks, a variety of carved wild animals, baskets, woven linens, zebra and leopard skins, small farm toools and many other items. There articles are made by tribes whose art work pertains to a certain talent such as wood carving, weaving, basketry, etc.

Mrs. Lindberg gave many amusing and interesting accounts of her experiences in Kiomboi. She expressed a great fondness for the people for their warmth and friendliness.

A letter of appreciation from Rocky Boy Indian mission at Box Elder, Mont., for the $50 Christmas gift of money, was read by Mrs. Marion Swift, presiding officer.

The February meeting will be held jointly with Zion Lutheran Church Women and First Lutheran Church Women of Tuesday, February 4 at 8 p.m. at Zion Lutheran church.

A large black ebony elephant centered the table where a potluck lunch was served prior to the meeting and program. Lois unit was in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. George Schulenberg was in charge of the devotional portion of the meeting.

Dress among the Africans varies with the individual. Our janitor at school, for example, wears a long, mother Hubbard type of dress of green, whacked off just below the knees, and, unlike most of his (yes, he's a man) countymen, he wears shoes. Most Africans wear some type of "shuka," which more closely resembles a very colorful table cloth, than anything else I can liken it to.

Hyenas abound here to the point that all pets must be brought inside at night if they are to be alive in the morning. I have yet to hear or to see one, however. About a week ago, about midnight, I was sure I really heard the "fisi" as they are called in Swahili. Telling about it at the breakfast table the following morning, I was rather prosaically informed I had heard the "overtones" of a death dance. So I've still not heard the fisi.

Most of our food here is pretty American, even down to "hot dogs." These, however, are inclined to long-skinny shapes, and are quite a bit drier than their American cousins. The flavor is somewhat strange, too. Many of our common vegetables grow here; corn, carrots, beets, radishes, lettuce, string-beans, peas, and potatoes. The flavor is not quite the same as at home, and root vegetables tend to be woody in texture. But none-the-less, they are very good, and are eaten with great relish.

Water faucets here come in one kind, cold. At school, of course, there is hot water. But most other places have just running water. But at noon on a warm day, a nice warm bath is very obtainable, because our water pipes are on the surface, and sun-warmed. All water used internally must be boiled, however.

For now, my very heartiest greetings to each and every one of you, and may you enjoy God's richest blessings. Please remember me in your prayers, along with all the missionaries "laboring in the fields." We both covet and treasure your prayers for all of us.

And so to all of you at home, the warmest possible greetings from Africa, and from

Henrietta Lindberg

TLCW Readies Supplies for Tanzania Mission

A variety of supplies for a mission school in Tanzania at which Trinity's member Miss Henrietta Lindberg is one of the teachers, was assembled for shipment to the school at a recent work session of Trinity Lutheran Church Women.

Among articles gathered were tablets, pencils, crayons glue and other craft supplies, which will be sent soon to the school where children of resident missionaries are students.

The women also rolled bandages, boxed old nylons, hemmed dish towels, sorted stamps, coupons and coffee can lids as a part of their missionary effort. The nylons will be used for making rugs at the Pioneer Lutheran home in Colton, Ore.

Mrs. Bruce Pond, program chairman, showed a film, "The Long Reach of the Church," a course being taught to the 9th grade Sunday school class. The film showed some of the mission work being done in Alaska, a college campus, a seaman center and in a poverty stricken area.

Members participated in a noon potluck lunch.

from Hal Lindberg in Africa

Saturday, March 23, 1963

Dear Friends at Home!

Greetings to all from Dar es Salaam! You are going to think I do nothing but travel around, the way letters keep coming from different places. However, except for future holidays, I expect this will be the last major move from Kiomboi. In case you haven't heard, I am in Dar for a 3-month language course in Swahili. We are really having to work at it, but I am very happy for the opportunity. It is so wonderful to be working under the conditions where the Bible is a textbook. As part of our language learning, we are reading and translating, line by line, the Book of Mark in the Swahili Bible. Sounds difficult? It is. But it is also most rewarding.

You folks who like maps and far-away places, "hear ye this." Each day that high tide matches our hours at home, we go swimming in the Indian Ocean which laps gently at the shore, just about 100' from the front porch of the house where I'm living. Surf, such as we know in the Northwest, seems to be unknown here. And the temperature of the water always equals, and sometimes exceeds the temperature of a nice warm tub bath. Some days the sand is so hot one wears shoes for protection. The sand is quite coarse in texture, and very white. If a stiff breeze is blowing, the particles of sand sting as they are blown against the body. It's a strange sensation.

There are fair multitudes of many kinds of sea shells in every hue the imagination can call forth. When the tide is out, there is nearly a mile of beach exposed. Wherever coral formations bread through the sand, one may find many inhabilted shells of fantastic shapes, sizes and colors in the tidepools. Little tropical fish abound, too. It is most startling to come upon a tidepool fairly alive with lemon-yellow fish wearing lines of jet black around themselves, or to find slightly larger fish in iridescent blues, having luminous fins and body lines of bright blue. Yes, I spend quite a bit of time hunting shells, talking Swahili to myself as I go, that I need not feel I am wasting time.

We know what rainy weather is in Astoria, but we don't know anything about humidity, except when it's lacking in the dry season. Here, and It's the rainy season now, average daily humidity ranges in the 90% bracket. Clothing feels damp and clammy as a matter of course. The absolute minimum in clothing is the rule, yet but very few women wear shorts or pants (trousers) of any sort, while the men wear shorts entirely, except for formal occasions. We are fortunate to have our classes in air-conditioned rooms.

Dar is a city having a population of about 150,000 people. Yet at an African Girls' School about 20 miles distant, their chief animal pests are huge, hairy, saucer-sized black spiders (poisonous, but not deadly) and lions that prowl around the houses at night. At least, they have not lovers' lane problems! Coconut trees are as common as alder trees in the Northwest.

African fishing boats are true dhows, having one or two outriggers, and using a single triangular sail, with the apex of the triangle at the base of the mast. They make a beautiful picure, but one is not tempted to take up fishing as the safest occupation.

Bicycles are very common, but the loads conveyed on them are phenominal For the building of supporting frames or concrete forms, the 2x4's we use at home are here replaced by gnarled but fairly straight sanlings of 2" or 3" diameter. It is strange to see huge stacks of supposed firewood material being used for temporary constructio. purposes.

Trinity Features "Africa" Program

By TED STOKES

Trinity Lutheran church in Astoria was the gathering place last Thursday night for the showing of colorful slides of Tanganyika in Africa.

It might have been called "Henerietta Lindberg Night", for the large crowd in the basement of the church listened to Mrs. Lindberg thru a tape recording made in Africa. She is from Astoria and now doing missionary work there.

A young African mother on the missionary staff told of life in Africa. She is on duty about 300 miles from the missionary area where Mrs. Lindberg works.

In the half-hour long talk on tape, Mrs. Lindberg said that she misses her friends in Astoria and elsewhere in the local area. She is in good health and is so glad to be of service to her church.

Mrs. Lindberg indicated that it seemed strange at Christmas to see hot weather and wild animals of this torrid region. This, she said, was a contrast to Christmas in Astoria. In her area, she has seen baboons, gazelles and elephants. Also in the area, but not seen often are leopards. Sometimes one hears hyenas at night; sometimes they attempt to steal small children.

Political outbursts, in the news from Africa nowadays, have not affected life in that part of Tanganyika where Mrs. Lindberg works. She is in no immediate danger there.

After the showing of slides of Africa, coffee and cake were served. During this coffee period, those attending the affair were permitted to speak into a mouthpiece in order to send a recording message to Mrs. Lindberg in Africa.

Many in the crowd brought presents to be sent to the mission school in Tanganyika.

I could go on for pages, but neither time nor practicality will permit. My very sincere thanks for the many lovely birthday cards that have been sent to me, and for all your most welcome letters. My personal correspondence must suffer these months of language study for our work requires much intense study. My warmest greetings to each of you, and thanks for your kind thoughts and prayers. An especial vote of thanks goes to Esther Petersen, whose efforts make these letters possible.

In sincere Christian love,
Henrietta Lindberg

Trinity Women Hear Message

The program entitled "God's Plan For You" brought a special message to the Trinity Lutheran Church Women when they met recently.

The Mesdames Carl Moberg, leader; John Sundquist, Merton Swift, Edmund Elliott and Fred Nordstrom, all memebrs of the Lois Unit, presented the program.

During the business meeting the women were reminded to mark two important dates on their calendars: May Fellowship Day which will be held in Fellowship Hall at the Presbyterian church, Friday, May 1, at 12:30 p.m., and the "Golden Age" luncheon and program honoring the senior women of Trinity, Tuesday, May 12.

A surprise gift from Tanganyika, E. Africa, was presented to each member. Gifts had been sent to the women by Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg who is serving as a missionary-teacher in Tanganyika. Gifts were hand carved letter openers.

Thank you notes were written to Mrs. Lindberg during the coffee hour which followed.

Refreshments were served by the Mary-Martha Unit.

LCW NEWS NOTES

UNIT MEETINGS FOR APRIL

MARY-MARTHA, April 16, 8 P.M. at the home of Miss Ethel Wicks, 792 16th Street. The Bible Study will be led by Mrs. Ellen Leach.

LOIS, April 17, 2 P.M. in the Parish House. Hostesses will be Mrs. Fred Jauert and Mrs. John Christians.

RUTH, April 25, 10 A.M. at the Parish House. Hostesses will be Mrs. Charles Hathaway and Mrs. Allard Conger. Mrs. G. Backlund will lead the Bible Study.

LCW Executive Board meets April 29, 10 A.M.

SPECIAL NOTICE!!!

LCW monthly meeting of the Women of Trinity. Tuesday, April 2, 7:30 P.M. Note the earlier starting time. The Youth of our Church will have the program, "Let Them Speak". Please come.

PROJECTS FOR APRIL
Children's clothes are needed for Africa.
More Betty Crocker coupons are needed.
Remember we are still selling vanilla and dish cloths, too.

A Thought to Ponder
The naive believe in magic, the wise believe in God. Each is a wondrous joy, and the only difference is that magic is fantasy clothed in truth and God is truth clothed in faith.

A Bible Verse to live by
"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

LCW NEW NOTES

MAY FELLOWSHIP DAY
We are invited to attend the United Church Women's Fellowship salad luncheon at the Grace Episcopal Parish Hall at 1 pm Friday, May 3. Pastor Nelson will speak about his missionary work in South America. Everyone is welcome!

RECEPTION AT LONGVIEW
Remember Sunday May 5. A reception will be held from 3 to 5 pm for the National LCW President, Mrs. E. G. Price, Executive Secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Marple, and the Synodical President, Mrs. Walter Knutson. For transportation to Longview call Mrs Emmy Backlund, FA 5-2558 or Mrs. Dorothy Niemi, FA 5-5805.

PLEASE NOTE LCW MEETING DATE CHANGE FRIDAY MAY 10 AT 2 PM AT THE PARISH HOUSE
We will have a Mother's Day Tea and an interesting program on "Women of the Bible" is planned. Many of our ladies will be helping with the Loyalty Dinner at the Methodist Church on Tuesday, May 7 so this makes the change to Friday necessary. Plan to attend the Mother's Day Tea on Friday afternoon May 10.

UNIT MEETINGS FOR MAY
LOIS May 15, Parish House at 2 pm. Hostesses are Mrs. James Ingleton and Mrs. Ragnor Hoyer.

MARY MARTHA May 21 at 8 pm at the home of the hostess Mrs. Alta Schalk at 1555 Niagara. Bible study by Mrs. Mary Nylund.

RUTH May 23 in the Parish House at 10 am. Hostesses are Mrs. G. Haglund and Mrs. G. Backlund. Bible study by Mrs. Edith Stangland.

EXECUTIVE MEETING May 27 in the Parish House at 10 am.

PROJECTS FOR MAY Bandages are needed for the Leprosarium in Tanganyika. Betty Crocker Coupons, MJB Coffee Bands.

Trinity Women Plan Bus Trip To Dist. Meet

1-15-63

A potluck luncheon was the highlight of the January meeting of Women of Trinity. Following lunch the regular business meeting was held with the president, Mrs. Foy Witbeck, presiding.

A letter sent to the church from a missionary family in Japan was read. The Mt. Hood district assembly of Lutheran Church Women will be held January 31 in Portland. The women plan to charter a bus to make the trip. Mrs. Jack Wood is taking care of the details.

Mrs. Andrew Young explained the importance of family devotions and gave out guides to devotions during Epiphany.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Darrel Ronholt. The program, "In God's Image" explained the church's position on and Sunday commercialism. Also the social problems of obscenity taking part were Mrs. Ragnor Boyer, Mrs. Arvi Lopakka, Mrs. Edmund Elliott, Mrs. James Henderson. Mrs. Wood read devotions.

The February 5 meeting will be "Freedom, Our Christian Heritage" with Mrs. Mary Nyland in charge.

Trinity Women Learning About African People

2-7-63

The Women of Trinity took a look at Africa when they met for their February meeting. Mrs. Mary Nyland was the speaker for the evening using the topic, "Freedom, Our Christian Heritage." Mrs. Nyland discussed the problems of the native and the role that foreign governments have taken as a part of the problem. She emphasized the natives lack of civil rights and the accompanying poor living conditions.

During the business meeting letters were read from Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg in Kiomboi, East Africa. Tentative plans were made to send boxes of used clothing and yarn which she said could be used.

The women were reminded of a work day February 8 at the church and of the United Church Women's World Day of Prayer March 1. The next program "Sweet Hour of Prayer" will be presented by the Service committee at the March 5 meeting.

Mary Martha unit served refreshments and Mrs. John Simonsen read devotions. Miss Ethel Wicks played the piano.

Christians Must Expand World, Pastor Tells Club

6-7-63

Women of Trinity met recently for their June meeting to hear and see the program, "How Big Is My World?" The Rev. Irven Nelson emphasized the need for today's Christian to continually enlarge his world. He then showed slides he had taken in Costa Rica and in Uruguay when he served in the missionary field.

Mrs. Foy Witbeck, LCW president, announced that the group had presented 12 new Bibles to the church Sunday school. Our Saviour's church in Seaside has been chosen for the district assembly to be held next October 10. A letter was read from missionary Henrietta Lindberg who is serving in Africa.

Devotions were read by Mrs. Irven Nelson. Ruth unit served refreshments. The next meeting will be the annual potluck picnic July 2.

Trinity Women Have Hymn Study

8-8-63

An inspiring program was presented Tuesday evening, when Women of Trinity gathered for their monthly meeting in the parish house, which was gaily decorated with summer flowers.

The meeting opened with devotions using the 100th psalm, given by Mrs. Carl Moberg. After a brief business session, the program entitled "Hymns of Glory" was presented. Miss Gertrude Johnson gave an informative report on the service book and hymnal, and also told a story of Phoebe Cary's hymns and their influence on a gambler's life.

Mrs. Oscar Abrahamson gave a reading on Martin Luther's famous hymn "A Mighty Fortress is Our God;" Mrs. Glen Larson told the story of how the patriotic hymn "America, the Beautiful" came into being; Mrs. Alta Schalk related a biography of Fanny Crosby, who wrote many of the old favorite hymns; and Miss Eleanor Iverson reported on the life of Isaac Watts, another popular hymn writer.

A letter from Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg, serving as a missionary teacher in Tanganyika, East Africa, was read.

The meeting came to a close with the singing of many favorite hymns, after which Mary Martha circle served refreshments.

The next meeting of the group will be September 10 at a p.m., with the program "What Our Church Believes" to be presented. Also on the agenda will be installation of officers.

Prayer Is Theme For Meeting of Women of Trinity

3-11-63

A program on prayer highlighted the March meeting of the Women of Trinity. Titled "Sweet Hour of Prayer," it emphasized the need of everyone to have raily prayer and it suggested that the women make an inventory of their prayer life. Mrs. Carl Moberg was program chairman with Mrs. Robert Henson, Mrs. Arne Rautio, and Mrs. John Simonsen participating. Mrs. Edmund Elliott and Mrs. William Seeborg sang a medly of hymns featuring the theme song Sweet Hour of Prayer. Mrs. Marion Swift played the piano.

Mrs. Foy Witbeck conducted the business meeting. A report was given from the district assembly held last month in Portland. The women approved the 1963 budget for Trinity LCW.

Mrs. Charles Hathaway read devotions. Ruth unit served refreshments. The next meeting, April 2, will be "Our Youth-Let Them Speak."

Valentine Party Honors Trinity Senior Members

Senior members of Trinity Lutheran church were entertained at a Valentine party Tuesday evening, February 13, in the church parlors.

Mrs. Jon Str[illegible]mfjord showed film slides of [illegible]uras and told about their v[illegible]d work there where she and Dr. Straumfjord spent one month last year for the CARE medical program. Robert Nordstrom assisted in showing the slides.

Other features of the program, which was arranged by Elmer Blomquist, included a harmonica duet by Oscar Erickson and Ragner Hoyer and a vocal solo "Love Makes the World go Around" by Hoyer.

Group singing, led by Hoyer, included some Swedish songs, all tuned to Valentine's Day. Mrs. Hoyer played the piano accompaniments.

Heart-shaped refreshments of jello salads and cookies were served to the 40 guests from a table centered with a standing red heart flanked by red vigil lights on a shiny red mat. Mrs. Erickson poured and Mrs. William Niemi and Mrs. Edmund Elliott served.

Trinity Women Name 2 Officers

5-15-63

Two officers were elected at the May meeting of the Women of Trinity. Mrs. Ragnor Hoyer was elected vice-president and Mrs. William Niemi was elected secretary. Each will serve for two years. The remaining officers have one more year to serve.

The afternoon meeting was also the anual Mother's Day tea. Special music consisted of a duet by Mrs. Edmund Elliott and Mrs. William Seeborg. They sang "Children of the Heavenly Father," accompanied by Mrs. Marion Swift at the piano.

The program, "Women of the Bible," presented the story of five women: Sarah, Ruth, Martha, Dorcas and "the woman who touched His robe." Taking part were the Mesdames Chester Balsley, Hoyer, James Ingleton, Fred Jouret, Carl Moberg, Arne Rautio, Darrel Ronholt, Seeborg, Jack Wood, and Esther Larson and Mabel Jones.

Mrs. Moberg read devotions. Mary Martha was hostess. Thse next meeting will be June 4 when the program will be "How Big Is My World?"

Senior Citizens Center Open

The small recreation center opened by the Job Corps recently at 14th and Duane does double duty—as a Job Corps installation at night and a community center for senior citizens in the day time. Operation of the senior citizens' activity is under the Church Women United, headed by Mrs. Stuart Lay. Churches take it over a month at a time. December is Trinity Lutheran's month. At left are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jauert, Rt. 1, who stopped in while visiting town and enjoyed coffee with Mrs. William Holt and Mrs. Ed Luoma, right, at the Trinity Lutheran staff that mans the center this month. coffee [illegible] ight, of ter are 10-4 Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and 10-2 Fridays.

Trinity Lutheran Women 'Adopt' Job Corps Cadre

Virgil Savage, chaplain and gue Point Job Corps center, was religious coordinator of the Ton- the featured speaker at the meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women Tuesday night in the church social rooms.

Savage, who was accompanied by Kenneth Taylor, corpsman, and Mrs. Helen Murray, secretary to Douglas Olds, spoke on some of the problems encountered in the program and the progress shown in job training as well as in the social graces. Taylor told of some of his experiences in the Job Corps and his appreciation for the opportunity afforded him. Materials concerning the work and the publication, "The Point" were distributed to the members. Name tags with the Job Corps insignia were made by Corpsman Ben Hisola for the members. A question and answer period followed.

During the business meeting presided over by Mrs. William Niemi, president, it was decided to "adopt" Cadre 7. This decision was due to the Cadre's appreciative response to the Christmas party given by Trinity's women in the cadre's recreation hall. A similar party will be given on Valentine's Day when the women will again serve the refreshments.

Trinity LCW will host a "Help shop" February 8 beginning at 9:30 a.m. to which women from Brownsmead Immanuel Lutheran church, Naselle Lutheran church and Zion Lutheran church will participate.

Mrs. Viola Abrahamson arranged the program and Mrs. Ed Abrahamson introduced the speaker.

The devotions were given by Mrs. Marion Swift and Mrs. E. C. Elliott of Lois unit. Refreshments from a table decorated in the Valentine motif were served by Mary Martha unit with Mrs. James Henderson pouring.

TLCW Long Will Be Remembered By 'Adopted' Job Corps Cadre

One of the most active of the newly - formed church groups is that of the women members of Trinity Lutheran church. Although TLCW (Trinity Lutheran Church Women), was formed as a single unit March 28, 1963, its fore-runner was Women of Trinity. Since its re-organization, embracing all women of the church, it has enjoyed a healthy and enthusiastic growth.

Meeting the first Tuesday of the month, the women alternate with afternoon and evening meetings. Mrs. William Neimi is president; Mrs. Fred Jauert, vice-president; Mrs. Richard Nelson, secretary, and Mrs. Vernon Leach, treasurer. Because of the large membership and good turn-outs, they gather in the cheery annex of the church, and on special occasions, holding forth in the church social room downstairs.

The project which won (and deserved) more goodwill this past year, especially from those benefitting, was their adoption of the Job Corp's cadre 7 at Tongue Point. There, in the large reception room topside of the cadre building, a group of TLCW members meet every month to sew and mend clothing of the corpsmen. At first, the corpsmen were a bit shy about bringing their worn garments to be patched, mended or have buttons replaced. But each month the line of boys grew longer, the sewing machines whirred faster and the fingers of the women were kept busy repairing the clothing.

And, while the menders were at work, another group of TLCW members were just as busy setting up a prettily decorated table for the monthly birthday party for all the boys whose birth dates fell in that month, with platters of home-made goodies of all kinds, colorful salad molds and other desserts and of course, a big birthday cake ablaze with candles, which were vigorously blown out by the guests of honor. It was a homey, happy atmosphere, this monthly visit, and, in many cases, the only such consideration some of the lonely boys had ever been shown. Although this wasn't publicized, and therefore received little recognition community-wise, the women were the "talk of the center," and cadre 7 was the envy of all the others.

However, in their community and national program, Trinity Lutheran Church Women are known well for their philanthropic work. They contribute food generously for the Christmas baskets for the needy each year, sew for the patients at Columbia hospital nursing home and visit the elderly residents there, as well as shut-ins at home. They collect nylons for rug-making and send them to the Lutheran home in Colton, Ore.; collect good used clothing (in top repair, you may besure) for Lutheran World Relief clothing drives; send articles to Bethpage mission, Axtell, Neb., as well as articles and money to the Rocky Boy mission at Box Elder, Mont., and still find time to sew articles for the men in Vietnam.

All this is inspired by their creed; to try to be an instrument of Christian mission in their congregation, community, their country and throughout the world; to combine in fellowship and study and to grow in faith; and to share in the world-wide work of the total church program, not by just prayer alone, but by a service of love.

MRS. EDWIN LUOMA, Jo Ann Luoma and Mrs. Fred Jourt assist girls of Residence Unit 5, Tongue Point Job Corps Center, pin on corsages made for them by the LCW of Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, and presented to the girls at a party. Trinity women visit their adopted unit each month.

Church Women Adopt Tongue Point Groups

Three years ago women of Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, began a service to living groups at the Tongue Point Job Corps Center in Astoria. This led to other church groups in the area doing the same thing, with the result that all dormitory units at the point have now been adopted.

The Trinity program began when the center housed boys and included a monthly party in the dormitory and invitations to services and special events at Trinity and to Sunday and holiday dinners with families of the congregation.

Now that the center has been converted into a training center for women, Trinity has adopted Residence Unit 5, a group of 90 young women; stages a monthly party, with the girls helping decorate for the season or a holiday, and a large birthday cake adds to the festivities for girls having birthdays that month. Sewing machine projects are among other activities.

Other groups recently following Trinity's lead at Tongue Point are First Presbyterian, First Lutheran (ALC), First Methodist, Baha'i of Astoria and Our Saviour's Lutheran, Seaside.

Members of Cadre 7 at Tongue Point Job Corps Center who have birthdays in February were honored by the Women of Trinity Lutheran church who gave a party in their honor. Serving refreshments in "The Ponderosa," where the youths are housed, are left to right, Mrs. Lawrence Petersen, Mrs. Marion Swift and Mrs. Bruce Pond.

Church Women Sew Gifts for Job Corps Girls

Trinity Lutheran Church Women devoted Tuesday afternoon in the church parlors to cutting and assembling stuffed dolls, animals and pillows for their "adopted" Residence 5 Job Corpswomen. These items will be taken to Tongue Point at the next visitation for the trainees to complete for their own personal use.

The afternoon was preceded by a potluck luncheon with Ruth unit in charge of cleanup.

Devotions were led by Mrs. Bruce Pond and hymn singing accompaniment was played by Mrs. Marion Swift.

Mrs. Pond thanked workers for staffing the downtown's Citizen's center in December. Other churches will take turns in staffing the center, which is now becoming better known for its welcome use to all shoppers and downtown visitors.

It was announced that the Pacific Lutheran university concert band will perform at the high school Friday evening, January 26.

The next general meeting will be Wednesday evening, February 7.

Trinity Lutheran Women Give Cadre Birthday Party

Women of Trinity Lutheran church who have "adopted" Cadre 7 at Tongue Point Job Corps Center, held a party honoring the six young men in the cadre whose birthdays are in February, the party held place during the noon hour in "the Ponderosa" dormitory where the Job Corpsmen are housed.

Church members who provided and served refreshments were Mrs. William Niemi, Mrs. Nels Rasmussen, Mrs. Lawrence Petersen, Mrs. Marion Swift, Mrs. James Henderson, Mrs. Vernon Leach, Mrs. Clark Hedeen, Mrs. ruce Pond and Mrs. Edmund Elliott.

The youths who have February birthdays are Larry Angel, Pedro Campa, John Culbertson, Macon Hart, Mike McGuire and Dale Woodrum.

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Trinity Women Honor Mothers At Program, Tea

Trinity Lutheran Church Women gathered in the social room of the church Tuesday for a luncheon and program, when they held their May meeting honoring mothers. Carnation corsages and name tags were pinned on each woman entering the dining room.

The program began with devotions paying tribute to mothers, by Mrs. Irven Nelson, after which Mrs. William Seeborg sang a Mother's Day song, accompanied by Mrs. Ragnor Hoyer at the piano. Many favorite hymns were then sung by those present.

The program came to a close with a presentation, in the form of a chalk-talk entitled "A Candle in the Window," by the Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Combs of the First Christian church.

The tables, featuring numerous interesting items from a prized collection, were decorated by Mrs. A. E. Engbretson.

Members of Ruth unit were hostesses for the event.

The next meeting of LCW will be Tuesday, June 2, when the program "Here Comes the Bride" will be presented, with the teenage girls of the church as special guests.

Blind Student Tells Incidents On Trip to East

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Highlight of the Trinity Lutheran Churchwomen meeting Tuesday evening was a talk by Miss Suzanne Soderberg, relating her experiences and points of interest of her trip to New York this past summer during which she spent six weeks at Hunter college.

She told of a visit to the United Nations building and of her arrival at Idylwild airport, as two emperiences long to be remembered.

Several of Miss Soderberg's favorite hymns were sung during the evening. Mrs. Irven Nelson emphasized the importance of Christian education for young people in her devotions.

A congregational family night is planned for Sunday evening, October 13, beginning with a potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m. Slides taken when he was in South America will be shown by the Rev. Mr. Nelson

It was also announced that World Community Day, an annual event sponsored by the United Church Women, will be held November 1 at 1:30 p.m. at the First Methodist church.

Envelopes in the shape of autumn leaves were handed out for the women to use for a thank offering, to be brought to the November meeting.

A fall theme was carried out with autumn leaves shaped name tags and the parish house gaily decorated with autumn flowers. Lois unit served refreshments.

April 11, 1965

To the Church Council:
The LCW would like to thank you so much for the 2 new cupboards. They were really needed & are much appreciated.

Sincerely
Evelyn Everson
Sec.

Remodelling Plan For Church Seen At TLCW Meeting

Trinity Lutheran church women spent a pleasant afternoon, when they gathered Tuesday noon for a potluck luncheon followed by a business meeting and program.

Before the meeting opened, Mrs. Elmer Blomquist showed floor plans for the remodelling and renovating of the parish house and church office, which will be taking place in the near future.

Highlight of the afternoon took place when Mrs. Ida Grimstad was crowned "Queen for a Day" by Mrs. Arni Rautio, honored for being the oldest member present. She wore the crown during the afternoon, along with a corsage she was given.

The business session opened with devotions by Mrs. Elsa Simonsen, and the thank offering was dedicated by Mrs. Carl Moberg. Brightly colored envelopes in the shape of autumn leaves containing money contributions were placed on a small tree, making a gay note of decor to the room.

Adding to the interest of the meeting was a skit in Spanish, presented by Mrs. Irven Nelson, which, when translated, told of a $30 check, which will be sent to Uruguay, South America, by the Lutheran Church Women, to help pay for fees for two children to attend Bible camp.

The Rev. Mr. Nelson announced that Mike Foster would show slides of his trip around the world Friday in the church basement, which will be open to the public. He also invited all the members to attend an open-house at the parish house Sunday from 2:30-5:30 p.m.

The program "The Best is Yet to Be," in the form of a radio interview, was introduced by Mrs. William Niemi, with Mrs. Jack Wood and Mrs. Arvi Loppakka taking part. The interview pointed out that the later years can be fruitful, useful years. An interesting discussion followed regarding the senior adult program which will be inaugurated at the church soon.

Mrs. Ralph Nordstrom was in charge of the luncheon with Mrs. James Ingleton and Mrs. Henry Larson assisting.

Uruguay Theme For Meeting of Trinity Women

A quick word and picture trip through Uruguay was the highlight of the September meeting of the Women of Trinity. The Rev. and Mrs. Irven Nelson presented the program "Our Neighbors To the South." They sang two hymns in Spanish and showed slides they had taken during their stay as missionaries in Uruguay a few years ago. A question and answer period followed.

The new officers for 1964-65 were installed by the Rev. Mr. Nelson. They are the Mesdames William Niemi, president; Edmund Elliott, secretary; Raymond Mathre, treasurer; Glen Larson, service chairman; John Haglund, membership chairman; and Foy Wetbeck, program and education chairman.

Officers for Ruth unit are the Mesdames Lawrence V. Petersen and Ed Luoma, co-chairmen and Darrel Ronholt, recorder; Lois unit Marion Swift and Edmund Elliott, co-chairmen and Henry Larsen, recorder; Mary-Martha unit Ed Abrahamson and Miss Gertrude Johnson, co-chairmen and Howard McRostie, recorder.

Mrs. Ragnor Hoyer presented a gift of appreciation to the outgoing president, Mrs. Witbeck. Mrs. Nelson was given a going-away gift by the women.

Plans were announced for a bus trip to the district assembly at Camp Colton September 24. Those interested may still call Mrs. Niemi for reservations.

The next meeting, October 6, will be "Oregon and The Early Churches."

Mrs. Walter Mathre read devotions. Ruth unit was hostess.

Northwest Poet Guest Speaker OfChurchwomen

1964

Willis Eberman, noted Northwest poet, appeared last week before an enthusiastic group of women who filled to capacity the social rooms of Trinity Lutheran church. Eberman read some of his earliest poems as well as his most recent ones, which were about Clatsop county.

A musical program was presented between readings. It consisted of two solos by Mrs. Robert Anderson and two numbers by violinist Miss Medora Svensen. Mrs. Anderson was accompanied by Mrs. Dudley Goff and Miss Svensen by Mrs. Ed Opdycke.

The theme of "Autumn Leaves" was carried out in the decorations placed around the room. Driftwood and brightly colored leaves adorned the individual tables. Mrs. Foy Witbeck presided at the table which was decorated with driftwood, golden-orange dahlias and chrysanthemums.

Those serving on the committee were Mrs. Edmund Elliott and Mrs. William Niemi, co-chairmen; Mrs. John Haglund and Mrs. Chester Balsley, hostesses, Mrs. Larry Snyder, decorations; Mrs. Glen Larson, Mrs. Ralph Nordstrom and Mrs. Roland Peterson, kitchen; and Alta Schalk, mistress of ceremonies.

Trinity Women Learn How Far Offerings Go

Trinity Women learned how far reaching their offerings are at their February meeting. Entitled, "One Gift," the program explained the many functions of the LCA and how Trinity benefits from them.

Taking part in the meeting were the Mesdames Oscar Abrahamson, Ed Abrahamson, Arne Rautio, Jack Wood, Edmund Elliott, Art Stromsness, Alta Schalk, Walter Mathre, Raymond Mathre, Ralph Nordstrom, Roland Peterson, Vernon Leach and Miss Esther Larson and Miss Gertrude Johnson.

The 1964 Trinity LCW budget was passed during the business meeting. The women were reminded of the Mt. Hood district assembly, February 11, and of the monthly service project. This month it will be supplying needed articles to the local nursing homes.

Mrs. Marion Swift played the piano. The Rev. Irven Nelson gave devotions. Refreshments were served by the Mary-Martha unit.

How Religion Came to County Topic for LCW

1964

At a meeting in the parish house Tuesday evening Trinity Lutheran Church Women heard Mrs. Alta Schalk speak on "How Religion Came to Clatsop County."

Mrs. Schalk fascinatingly related some of the early history of this area and of the important part the Indian Princess Celiast Smith, daughter of Chief Cobaway of the Clatsops, had in bringing religion to Clatsop county. Indian baskets and other artifacts belonging to Mrs. Schalk decorated the mantel and rooms.

Mrs. William Niemi, newly elected president of LCW presided over the first meeting of the fall season. Mrs. E. C. Elliott is secretary, replacing Mrs. Irven Nelson, who with the Rev. Mr. Nelson has recently left Astoria to serve in the mission field in Urugway, South America.

A letter from Citizens For Salmon For All urged cooperation in the community auction to be held October 14 in which donated articles will be auctioned to help defray the expenses in the fight to defeat Initiative 4.

Members were asked to bring in their favorite recipes for a cook book to be compiled in the near future.

Members were also reminded to continue saving a certain brand of cake coupons towards the completion of a silver service and to save old nylons to be used in rug making by the Home for the Aged in Colton.

An Autumn Tea is being planned for the evening of October 29, when Willis Eberman, northwest poet will be featured along with musical numbers to be announced later.

The next meeting, November 10, will be a project day to be spent in sewing and working for Columbia hospital. The meeting will begin with a potluck lunch in the church basement. Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Bert Endicott and Elmer Blomquist will explain the work of the hospital and auxiliary.

"Thank Offering" envelopes in the cornucopia design were distributed giving everyone an opportunity to share in lieu of money making projects.

Devotions were brought by Mrs. L. V. Petersen of the Ruth unit and refreshments were served by the Lois unit.

A special guest for the evening was Mrs. Bruce Pond wife of the Rev. Pond of Our Savior's Lutheran church, Eugene. The Rev. Pond spoke briefly to the group at the close of the meeting.

Closer Look At Tanzania TLCW Topic

"A Closer Look at Tanzania" was presented in film, discussion and tape recording to the Trinity Lutheran church women Tuesday evening in the church social rooms. Mrs. Foy Witbeck was in charge of the program.

The colored film "Harvest in Tanganyika" showed what is being done by Lutheran World Action missionary work in churches, school and hospitals there.

Mrs. Anne Ruth Mhina, exchange teacher from Tanzania, who is spending six weeks in Astoria under a scholarship from the Teachers' International Development program, spoke to the group. Following her talk, Mrs. Mhina answered questions regarding the customs and products of her native country.

One of the export products of Tanzania is rope made from sisal, a fibrous plant, and used extensively in American shipping and other industries. She stated that Tanzania was formerly Tanganyika and the island of Zanzibar, which recently gained their independence from Britain. Mrs. Mhina lives with her family in Tanga, a village of about 3000 inhabitants. Mrs. Jack Wood, with whom Mrs. Mhina is a houseguest, introduced her and led the question and answer period.

Of added interest was a tape recording sent by Trinity's member, Henrietta Lindberg, teacher in Kiomboi, Tanzania. Mrs. Lindberg who is completing the second year of her four year term as a Lutheran missionary worker in Africa, gave a heart-warming account of her work with the children of the missionaries there. She spoke briefly and cautiously of the unrest in the Congo. A recording to be sent to Mrs. Lindberg was made during the coffee hour.

Mrs. William Niemi, LCW president and Mrs. Witbeck, education chairman, were elected delegates to the annual LCW convention to be held in Longview February 23, 24 and 25 at a brief business meeting.

Ruth unit served the refreshments from a table centered with an open Bible and a world globe. A cake frosted and decorated with the map of Africa was made by Mrs. Halley Johnson.

Old-Fashioned Christmas Held at Trinity Church

Carol singing, [illegible] dancing, presentation of the Lucia Bride and a Christmas pageant were the features of "An Old Fashioned Christmas" at the gathering of Trinity Lutheran Church Women Wednesday evening in the church parlors.

In keeping with the old fashioned theme the Christmas tree standing in the corner of the room, was adorned with paper chains, strings of popcorn and cranberries and other home-made decorations.

The Scandinavian folk dancers, under the direction of Mrs. Laurence Obie danced and sang Christmas carols around the tree. Miss Doreen Swensen Lucia Bride, was [illegible] in her white robes and crown of lights as she walked down the tree to the group singing of "Santa Lucia." Prior to the presentation Mrs. E. C. Elliott told the story of the Lucia Bride.

Mrs. Bert Soderman gave a reading, "The Other Wise Man."

At a brief business meeting conducted by President Mrs. William Niemi, it was decided to send a gift of money to Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg, member of Trinity, who is currently teaching missionary children in Tanzania, Africa. Mrs. Bruce Pond, in charge of staffing the Downtown Citizen's center for the month of December for which Trinity is responsible called for volunteers. The center is open to all local citizens on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. An invitation is extended to drop in for coffee, TV, rest, etc.

White tapers in a Lucia Bride crown encircled with holly graced the refreshment table, where dainty Christmas cookies were served. Mrs. Ragner Hoyer poured. Lois unit was in charge of the refreshments, and Mrs. Elliott the program. Mrs. William Seeborg read the devotions. Mrs. Marion Swift played the piano accompaniments. Winners of the door prizes were Mrs. Ella Moberg and Mrs. Alberta Mathre.

Famous Sermon Is Read at Christmas Party

"Let's Keep Christmas," a sermon by Peter Marshall was read by Mrs. Elsa Simonson to the Trinity Lutheran Church Women Tuesday evening in the church social rooms.

A sketch about Peter Marshall written by his wife Catherine Marshall, in her introduction to the sermon was read by Mrs. Chester Baisley and Mrs. Edmund Elliott.

Scripture readings, Christmas carols and special music interspersed the program. Readers of scripture verses were Mrs. Glenn Larson, Mrs. Lawrence V. Petersen and Mrs. Eldon Korpela. Mrs. Ragner Hoyer gave the opening prayer.

Junior High school girls' ensemble composed of Carol Stromsness, Joan Luoma and Debbie Gunderson accompanied by Lisa Hickman, sang "Silent Night." Mrs. Marion Swift accompanied the carol singing. A duet "Away in a Manger" was sung by Vicki Blomquist and Mary Louise Abrahamson. Mrs. William Seeborg presented a vocal solo, "The Star of the East."

In spite of the freezing weather and lowering temperature, many members were present.

Winners in games supervised by Mrs. Arni Rautio, were Mrs. Elmer Blomquist, Mrs. Oscar Erickson and Mrs. Larson.

The Rev. Bruce Pond, Trinity's recently installed pastor, gave the benediction.

Refreshments were served by Mary Martha unit.

Trinity Lutheran Women Sew for Columbia Hospital

A pleasant afternoon was spent last week by the Trinity Lutheran church women sewing for the Columbia hospital.

Following a potluck luncheon in the church social rooms, Mrs. Edmund Elliott, president, and Mrs. Bert Endicott, past president of the Columbia Hospital auxiliary, and Elmer Blomquist, Columbia hospital administrator, spoke on the work of the auxiliary and some of its accomplishments.

Purchase of the anesthesia machine, skin grafting machine, cubicles, swinging tray tables, nursing scholarships, uniforms for the candy stripers and dining room supplies are some of the recent projects completed for the hospital through funds raised by the auxiliary. They also commended the Pink Ladies and Candy Stripers for their continuing help.

An invitation was extended to all interested women to become members for meetings are held each second Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. in the hospital dining room.

An informative letter from Henritaa Lindberg, missionary to Tanganyika expressed appreciation for the craft material and scool supplies sent to the Kiomboi school in which she teaches.

Advent Prayer Day will be observed with a prayer service Sunday, November 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary with LCW in charge.

It was announced that the Rev. Bruce Pond, Eugene, will become Trinity's new pastor and will be installed Friday evening, December 4.

The next meeting will be Tuesday evening, December 15, entitled "Christmas Joy."

Devotions, "A Thanksgiving Prayer," was read by Mrs. William Seeborg and a committee headed by Mrs. John Peterson was in charge of the potluck.

Church Women's Program Themed To Bible History

An interesting discussion on use of the Concordance in connection with Bible study was presented by the Rev. Bruce E. Pond, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, at last week's meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women in the Hilma Grush hall.

The program arranged by Mrs. Foy Witbeck centered around the theme, "A Light to my Path," in which scripture verses were read by the Astoria and John Day-Fernhill "Witness in Daily Life" groups. Mrs. William Niemi, Trinity's LCW president, extended an invitation to the members to meet with the weekly or bi-weekly group.

In the course of his talk, the Rev. Pond circulated some of his books on Bible history. Also displayed were old family Bibles of some of the members.

Devotions were read by Mrs. Bruce Pond and during the musical portion of the program, Mrs. William Seeborg, accompanied by Mrs. Marion Swift, sang a solo.

Mrs. Niemi, who was a delegate to the Pacific Synod LCW conference held recently in Longview, said she would report on the convention at the Trinity LCW unit meetings.

Refreshments were served by Lois unit.

Church in Japan Featured on Program for TLCW

"The Church Alive in Japan" was described in a film shown to Trinity Lutheran Church Women Wednesday evening in the parish house.

Preceding the showing, Mrs. Bruce Pond told of the work being done by Pastor Yoske Watanabe, a Japanes Christian who has devoted his life to Christian teaching in Japan. Posters also depicted the Christian influence in customs and cultures.

At a brief business meeting conducted by President Mrs. William Niemi, it was announced that the next meeting would be a Mother's luncheon, May 7, when exchange students, Hannele Hakala from Finland, and Harold Bull from Norway, would be featured on the program. Four Job Corps trainees from Tongue Point will assist in serving.

Other coming events include a work day April 9 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with a salad and sandwich lunch. Sewing will continue on pallets which are urgently needed for the World Clothing drive. Other items needed are blankets and clothing.

As a result of cutbacks in federal spendings, volunteer aids are needed at Tongue Point. Requests have been made for class helpers in the cooking, music, typing and library departments.

The LCW Mt. Hood Assembly will be held April 18 at Zion Lutheran church with "Concern for all Men" as its theme. Music and project demonstrations will be featured.

Lois unit served as hostesses using a table arrangement of Japanese flowering quince in a Japanese teapot and matching tapers in a Japanese candelabra. Mrs. Jack Wood poured.

Dates Are Circled On Calendar for Trinity Women

Trinity Lutheran Church Women met Tuesday morning in the church parlors to work on continuing various projects. Pallets for India are increasing as materials come in and the work progresses. Some of the women rolled bandages while others tore old sheets and sewed them into strips for rolling.

Devotions were read by Mrs. Bruce Pond. A short business meeting was held in which it was announced that Columbia Hospital auxiliary will hold a spring tea and hat show at the Presbyterian church annex Friday, March 15 at 2 p.m.; that the monthly visitation to Tongue Point, Residence 5 will be Tuesday, March 19 at 11:30 a.m.; that on Sunday, March 31, the Rev. and Mrs. Bruce Pond will hold open-house in the parsonage from 2-5 p.m.; that on Wednesday evening, April 3, the Trinity Lutheran Church Women meeting will feature a program on Japan with a film entitled "Church Alive in Japan."

Several letters from Job Corpswomen were read expressing their appreciation for clothes given them.

Instead of the usual potluck luncheon on workdays the group drove to the Sea Fare restaurant where reservations for lunch had been made.

TLCW Gives Corpsman Birthday Party

Although he was far from his home in Baton Rouge, La., on his birthday, Earnest Gaines, center, was remembered with a birthday party, cake, punch bowl and all the trimmings. Trinity Lutheran Church Women, who have "adopted" Cadre 7 of the Job Corps, of which Gaines is a member, and who come to sew and mend for the cadre every week, set up the combined Christmas-birthday party in the large recreation hall of the building housing the cadre, decorating tables with colorful yuletide greenery and ornaments. Many plates of home-made Christmas goodies filled the table after Gaines cut his birthday cake. In background (from left) are some of the TLCW members who staged the party, the Mesdames William Seeborg, Laurence Petersen, Ed Luoma, Vernon Leach, Fred Jauert, Edmund Elliott, William Niemi, Bruce Pond and Miss Eleanor Iverson. Young Peter Pond surveys the cake-cutting beside Gaines, while William Carver, who comes from Arizona, watches from the other side of the table.

Job Corps Resident Supervisor Talks to Trinity Lutheran Women

George Stathakis, resident supervisor of residents A and B of the Tongue Point Job Corps center for women, was the principal speaker of the recent meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women in the church parish house.

Stathakis, who has been associated with the Job Corps for many years and has been at Tongue Point for some time, said among other things, that "women are more interesting to work with because of their wider interests and greater motivation than the men trainees." He indicated that, although the complete training program has not yet been set up, the women keep busy at their tasks and in their developing social life at the base. Stathakis was accompanied at the meeting by trainees Flossie Munger and Claudia Tilden, both from Arizona, who responded to questions from the audience. The girls said they like the area and are pleased with the program. Both girls said they were impressed with the surrounding scenic beauty.

Mrs. Bruce Pond presented the program and the devotions were led by Mrs. Lawrence Petersen. It was announced that a project day would be held April 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the parish house.

Refreshments were served by the Lou [illegible] tered with daffodils and yellow tapers.

Installation Rites Dated for Minister

THE REV. BRUCE POND

The Rev. Bruce E. Pond, who arrived here this week with his family from Eugene, will be installed Friday at 7:30 p.m. as pastor of Trinity Lutheran church. He replaces the Rev. Irven Nelson, who returned recently to the mission field in South America.

The Rev. Mr. Pond was pastor during the past three years of our Saviour's Lutheran church in Eugene. He previously served churches in California and Pennsylvania. The Rev. Mr. Pond, 35, is a native of Denver, Colo. He received his elementary education in Medford and Pheonix, Ore., and graduated from high school in San Francisco.

The Rev. Mr. Pond began his college work in forestry at the University of California, Berkeley, and graduated with a B.A. in biology from Central college, Iowa. He received a B.D. degree from the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N.J., and took graduate work at the Philadelphia Lutheran Seminary and Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Berkeley, Calif., where he is now enrolled for the master of sacred theology degree. During college and for two years, he had worked for the California division of forestry as a fire-foreman and ranger with the National Park Service in Yosemite National park.

The Rev. Mr. Pond is married to Carol Louise Neyenesch, a native of Harrisburg, Pa. Mrs. Pond is a graduate of Central college, Iowa, with a B.A. degree in psychology. She studied an additional year at Columbia university, New York City, and has taught elementary school in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The Ponds have four children, Eric, 6; Christopher, 4; Ann Louise, 2, and Peter, 1. They are moving this week into the parsonage adjoining the church at 16th and Franklin.

The Rev. Dr. A. G. Fjellman of Seattle, president of the Northwest Synod of the Lutheran Church in America, will conduct the installation rites. Assisting will be other pastors from this area. A reception for the Ponds will follow the installation.

During his stay in Eugene, the Rev. Mr. Pond has been a member of the Board of Lutheran Family Service of Oregon, secretary of the Lane County Lutheran Ministerium and the Eugene Ministerial association; key area pastor for the LCA Parish Education curriculum and a member of the Synod Christian Education committee and other church and civic groups.

TLCW Is Sewing For Children In Viet Nam

Sewing for children in Viet Nam is beginning this week by the Trinity Lutheran Church Women. At a meeting held recently in the church parlors, Mrs. Glenn Larson, service chairman, reported on the Lutheran World Relief appeal for cotton as denim pajama-like clothing needed by 250,000 Vietnamese children, which inspired the sewing project.

An Easter sound film "Journey Into Faith," based on the events prior to Jesus' crucifixion, was shown. Mrs. Nels Rasmussen read the devotions which included Clifford Oscar Nelson's "Easter Window." Miss Bernice Amundsen, a junior at Pacific Lutheran university, accompanied by Mrs. Marian Swift, sang "How Great Thou Art."

During Holy week a number of LCW members shared an hour's fellowship at Tongue Point with its "adopted" Cadre 7 which now numbers 116 corpsmen.

Mrs. Bruce Pond encouraged the use of the LCW library which she and Miss Eleanor Iverson have reorganized. Susan Aho who is working toward her Girl Scout God - and - Country - award, is assistant librarian.

Mrs. William Niemi, president, announced the LCW Mt. Hood district assembly will be held at St. Mark's Lutheran church in Portland, April 27, at 9:30 a.m.

The next meeting will be a mother's luncheon May 3 at which Peter Hobbing, foreign exchange student from Germany, and Greg Wood will present the program.

Lois unit served the refreshments from a table centered with daffodils and low candles in a brass candalabra. Mrs. Niemi poured.

Trinity Women Hear of Mission In Hong Kong

"Missions Today" featuring present day education in Hong Kong was presented to Trinity Lutheran Church Women and guests, by Bruce Richards, a former English teacher in Hong Kong.

Richards, who teaches English in the Marshall high school in Portland, and served as a Lutheran missionary English teacher in Hong Kong from 1960-1963 gave a talk and then showed slides he took while there. He related some of his experiences and cited the need for more teachers in every field. He said that three-fourths of all the schools in Hong Kong are run by the church and that 99 per cent of the students are Chinese. Not all youth are accepted, however, due to the lack of teachers and facilities. Schools are being built continually but cannot keep up with the demand.

Richards' colorful collection of slides showed all phases of life in Hong Kong including schools, a palatial home, crowded apartment buildings, cardboard hillside homes, busy downtown streets and many other interesting scenes. He, with his wife, hopes to return to Hong Kong in the near future.

Gary Miller, the summer intern sent to the Seaside-Astoria recreation area by the board of American missions, was introduced by the Rev. Bruce Pond. Miller has completed his second year at Rock Island seminary.

June 16, another visit to Cadre 7 at Tongue Point will take place. Vacation church school pupils from grade five and above will accompany the LCW and tour the school.

Mrs. Pond was in charge of the program. Mrs. Chester Balsley, of Lois unit, gave the devotions. Mrs. M. Swift accompanied the hymn singing.

From a table centered with white lilacs, lavender rhodondendrons and white tapers, Mary Martha unit served refreshments and Mrs. Pond poured.

Trinity Women Learn About Lutheran Service

Women of Trinity learned more about the Lutheran worship service at their recent June meeting. "Service in Action" was the theme, with a film strip and accompanying record explaining the different parts of the service. The Rev. Bruce Pond answered questions about the film and the service Trinity uses.

LCW president, Mrs. William Niemi, announced election results for the coming year. They are: Mrs. Alta Schalk, vice-president and Mrs. William Seeborg, education and program chairman; Lois unit: Chairman Mrs. Marion Swift, and Recorder, Mrs. Henry Larsen Mary Martha unit: Chairman Mrs. Walt Mather, and recorder, Mrs. Howard McRostie.

Mrs. Shalk presented a gift to Mrs. Foy Witbeck for her years of work with the Tinity LCW. Mrs. Witbeck will be leaving soon for Albany.

Mrs. Jack Wood showed some of the new books that have been acquired for the library and encouraged members to read one during the summer.

Mrs. Lawrence V. Petersen read devotions. Lois unit served refreshments.

Sunday School's New Curriculum Gets Expansion

An experiment in new Sunday school curriculum currently being conducted at Trinity Lutheran Church was explained to members of the congregation last week at a meeting of the Lutheran Church Women by several leaders involved in the experiment.

Program Chairman Mrs. Bruce Pond led the discussion with the description of various classes being offered to all age groups beginning with first grade Sunday School through adult Christian education courses. Others explaining the program were Delbert Bjork, chairman of Christian education, Ed Abrahamsen, music director; Joyce Lundholm, assistant to Abrahamsen, and a summation by the Rev. Bruce Pond.

During the meeting a period of discussion with questions and suggestions presented from the floor was monitored by Mrs. Pond. The major change in the experiment from the original Sunday school curriculum is the mass teaching of the liturgy and hymnology of the church to those in third grade and up to hopefully give them a better understanding of and participation in the entire worship service. Several new courses in adult Christian education are also being conducted with others to begin soon.

Workbooks, visual aids and other educational materials were on display in the meeting room.

Mrs. Glenn Larson, delegate to the LCW Pacific Northwest Synodical convention, reported on the meetings held last month at St. Mark's Lutheran church in Salem.

A devotional message was given by Mrs. William Seeborg. Mrs. Marian Swift accompanied the hymn singing. An autumn setting centered the table where refreshments were served by Lois unit.

Robes, Slippers For Elderly Made By Church Women

Terry cloth lap robes, slippers and bibs for the elderly patients in Columbia Hospital Nursing home were made by the Trinity Lutheran Church Women at their November meeting Tuesday afternoon in the church parlors.

The sewing session followed a noon potluck and meeting at which time the "Thank Offering" envelopes distributed recently were received and dedicated.

Gifts brought for the Lutheran Rocky Boy mission in Box Elder, Mont. were boxed and readied for mailing. Nylons to be used in rug making were also boxed for the Pioneer home in Colton, Ore.

A plea was made for helping hands to assist in the church pipe organ repair work currently going on.

Mrs. William Niemi, president, announced the following were on the library committee: Miss Eleanor Iverson, chairman: Mrs. Jack Wood and Mrs. Bruce Pond.

The next meeting, "A Christmas Festival of Nations," will be December 7 at 8 p.m. when the Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Combs will present a chalk talk.

A vasiety of yellow chrysanthemums decorated the potluck tables. Mrs. Arni Rautio of Ruth unit, read the devotions. Mrs. Glenn Larson, project chairman, was in charge of the sewing and the Lois unit, the kitchen duties.

Trinity Women Are Told More About Retreats

Women of Trinity learned more about retreats at their recent September meeting. Leading the program was Mrs. Bruce Pond, who began by explaining what a retreat is and why it is held.

Mrs. Walter Mathre described a retreat she once attended and Mrs. Andrew Young told why she will attend the next retreat. That retreat will be held September 21 at the Permanente in Bolivana Park in cooperation with six Lutheran churches.

Mrs. Alma Mackey and Mrs. Darrel Ronald read the 13th chapter of I Corinthians, which is the theme for the retreat. The women were given a list of supplies to take and a time schedule for the day. The program was [illegible] with a 15-minute meditation period.

The Rev. Mr. Pond installed the new officers: Mrs. Alta Schaak, LCW vice-president; Mrs. William Seeborg, LCW education chairman; Mrs. Marion Swift, chairman of Lois unit; Mrs. Henry Larsen, recorder of Lois unit; Mrs. Lawrence V. Petersen, chairman of Ruth unit; and Mrs. Ed Luoma, recorder of Ruth unit.

The fall district assembly will be held October 7 in Vancouver, Wash. The October 5 LCW meeting will be on the Rocky Boy mission in Montana. The October service project will also be for the mission.

Mrs. Pond read devotions and Mrs. [illegible] served refreshments.

Trip to Mexico Is Related to Trinity Women

At a luncheon meeting Tuesday noon in the church parlors, Trinity Lutheran Churchwomen heard Mrs. George Schulenburg describe her recent trip to Mexico.

Mrs. Schulenburg told of her tour of beautiful Guadalajara and its neighboring town. The Schulenburgs became interested in taking the trip from a bulletin they saw in the foreign language department at Clatsop College.

A three week course in Spanish at the University of Guadalajara included living with a Mexican family, a private tutor and attending classes at the university.

An interesting display of pottery, glassware and other artifacts were on display.

From a table centered with Esther Reed daisies and bronze snapdragons, a tasty luncheon of fried chicken and a wide selection of salads was served.

A devotional period was led by Mrs. Edmund Elliott and the hymn singing was accompanied by Mrs. Marion Swift.

A letter from the Red Cross asking members to fill ditty bags to be sent to servicemen in Vietnam for Christmas was read, and it was decided that items would be collected and the bags filled in October before the Nov. 1 deadline.

It was reported that Trinity Churchwomen had charge of the downtown citizens center this past week; workday will be held at the church Sept. 16 at 10 a.m.; and clothing is being accepted for Lutheran World Relief Clothing Drive before Sept. 30.

Special features were the edible door prize, won by Mrs. Chester Balsley, Mrs. James Henderson, Mrs. Raymond Niemi, Mrs. Lawrence Peterson and Mrs. Clark Hedeen.

Co-chairmen in charge of the luncheon arrangements were Mrs. Bruce Pond, Mrs. Niemi and Mrs. Elliott.

Trinity Women's Membership Tea Features Speaker

Mrs. Vera Gault, guest speaker for the membership tea, in her talk to Trinity Lutheran Church Women and their guests Wednesday evening in the church parlors, said "we should be more concerned about making an abundant life than a living by the good works we perform."

Mrs. Gault, Dean of Women at Clatsop college, made an interesting comparison of the local area of the Columbia river and its fishing to the Lake of Galilee during Biblical times, when Christ said to Simon and Andrew, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Another feature of the tea was a style show presented by 14 Tongue Point Job Corpswomen who modeled a variety of clothing they have made for themselves. Mrs. Joanne Miksis, their instructor in home and family life courses, told about some of the courses offered the girls, including sewing, food preparation, citizenship, homemaking, budgeting, marriage planning and child care. Mrs. Miksis was assisted by Ethel Jones, who described the garments being modeled. Miss Rachael Moore, also a trainee, sang a solo, "Where'er You Walk" by Handel. She was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Ann Catron.

Mrs. Vernon Leach of Mary Martha unit, gave the devotions.

Mrs. Bruce Pond in charge of the program, announced that Trinity would take cupcake treats to Resident Unit 5 at Tongue Point Monday noon, October 9 to visit the girls during their lunch hour and to help them make stuffed animals; that a Senior Citizen program will be held Wednesday evening October 11 at the church; that another work day at the church will take place Thursday, October 12 at 10 a.m. to roll bandages and to make pallets for India; that the LCW District meeting will be held in St. Helens October 27; that World Community Day will be Friday November 3 at First Christian church, when a film entitled "Hungry Angels" will be shown.

Mrs. Edmund Elliott, membership chairman, was in charge of the arrangements for the tea assisted by Mrs. William Niemi. Name tags in the form of autumn leaves identified each one present.

Decorations of dahlias and ivy centered each of the tables with fall flowers evident about the room. "Television" dahlias and brown tapers in a copper bowl and matching candleholders graced the table where dainty tea sandwiches were served. Mrs. Chester Balsley poured.

LCW Cookbook Is Featured In Novel Skit

A "tasting" luncheon from recipes included in the new "LCW Special" cookbook featuring the November meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women Tuesday in the church parlors.

A skit composed by Mrs. E. C. Elliott, cleverly describing in poetic form the compiling, printing and assembling of the 250 cookbooks, was enacted by some of the members who helped make it. Taking part in the skit with Mrs. Elliott were Mrs. William Niemi, Mrs. Chester Balsley, Mrs. Vernon Leach, Mrs. Larry Snyder, Mrs. Nels Rasmussen, Mrs. Ed Luoma, Miss Eleanor Iverson, Mrs. Richard Nelson, Mrs. Lawrence Peterson, Mrs. Bruce Pond and Mrs. William Seeborg.

Thanksgiving devotions were read by program chairman Mrs. Pond, who also gave a history of the Thanksgiving hymns sung during the meeting.

Mrs. Balsley offered a Thanksgiving meditation as a prelude to the receiving of the yearly thank offering.

The women, divided into smaller groups, testified to their individual reasons for being thankful for the bountiful gifts of God.

An LCW charm was presented to Mrs. Neimi in appreciation for her work as president the past two years. She was recently elected president for two more years.

Mrs. Luoma and Mrs. Snyder were in charge of the luncheon arrangements and had decorated the social room with autumn leaves, chrysanthemums and copper. They were assisted by other Ruth unit members. Name tags were in the form of simulated miniature cook books.

Aberdeen Pastor, Former Astorian, Is TLCW Speaker

The Rev. Birger Brandt, who was reared in Astoria, and a member of Trinity Lutheran church prior to his ordination into the Lutheran ministry, addressed the Trinity Lutheran Church Women at its monthly meeting at a luncheon Tuesday noon in the Trinity parish house.

The Rev. Mr. Brandt has recently become pastor of Trinity Lutheran church in Aberdeen, Wash., after having been associate pastor of Magnolia Lutheran church, Seattle.

The Rev. Mr. Brandt reminisced during his talk about his youth in Astoria and told of the inspiration he had received from intimate friends who had encouraged him to enter the ministry. He used as his theme Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Mrs. Brandt, accompanied by her husband at the piano, sang "My Heart Will Sing Praises Ever Joyful" by Bach and "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" by Handel.

The Rev. Brandt had at numerous occasions played piano and organ at services in Trinity before going to Augustana Lutheran seminary in Rock Island, Ill., for his theological training. He was ordained here in Trinity in 1965.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. William Niemi, president of TLCW. Mrs. Bruce Pond was program chairman and Mrs. M. Swift introduced the speaker. The closing prayer was offered by Trinity's pastor, the Rev. Bruce E. Pond.

Trinity Church Women Stage Christmas Festival of Nations

A chalk art devotional by the Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Combs was a feature of Trinity Lutheran Church Women's Christmas Festival of Nations program Tuesday evening in the church parlors.

In the darkened room the 85 members and guests watched with interest as Mrs. Combs drew with chalk on her lighted stand a scene of the Shepherds looking toward the brightly shining Star of Bethlehem. With a background of soft music the Rev. Mr. Combs narrated the Christmas story during the drawing.

The Festival of Nations theme was carried out by displays of articles representing the countries of Sweden, Norway, Finland, Ireland, Denmark and Germany. The tables were decorated with flags, dolls and other artifacts denoting the customs and cultures of the various countries represented.

On the program assisting Mrs. Arni Rautio, chairman, and explaining the customs of Christmas celebration of the different countries were Mrs. Robert Hagerup, Mrs. Henry Larsen, Mrs. Al Sorkki, Mrs. Nels Rasmussen, Mrs. Alta Schalk, Mrs. Arvi Lepakka and Mrs. William Seeberg.

Mrs. Vernon Leach, of Mary Martha unit, presented the Christmas devotions. Christmas carols, accompanied by Mrs. M. Swift, were sung during the evening. Mrs. Bruce Pond, whose birthday fell the following day, was surprised by the presentation of a gift from the Trinity Church Women.

On name tags worn by the members were flags of many countries throughout the world.

From a red satin and net covered United States table decorated with silver holly and red candles, Mrs. Pond poured coffee and hot spiced tea. From there, refreshments of dainty pastries were served on tables of the countries they represented.

In charge of the various tables were Mrs. Larry Snyder, Ireland; Mrs. Larsen, Norway; Mrs. Sorkki, Sweden; Mrs. Rasmussen, Denmark; Mrs. Fred Jauert and Mrs. Robert Cordiner, Germany, and Mrs. Roy Seeborg, Finland. Ruth unit had charge of the kitchen.

Brazilian Girl Entertains for Trinity Women

Emilia Sanches, foreign exchange student fro Brazil, delighted Trinity Lutheran Women and their guests at a luncheon Tuesday in the church parlors.

Miss Sanches, in her native carnival dress, took the group on "A Visit to Brazil" showing slides of Brazil and telling of the places and customs of her country. She also danced the Samba and played two Brazilian piano numbers. Miss Sanches answered many questions in a delightful and amusing manner. She has, since January, been the "American daughter" of the Rev. and Mrs. Brice E. Pond. She previously, during her school year, lived with the Dr. Leroy Steinmann family.

An antique and heirloom table held many prized possessions of some of the members. Antique pices of china, glassware, linens and pictures were exhibited.

The group was welcomed by Mrs. Pond and the devotional message was brought by Mrs. Elmund Elliott.

Food for the luncheon was prepared by Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. William Niemi and Mrs. Chester Balsley. Assisting in other preparations and serving were members of the Ruth unit.

Trinity Women See Skits on Modern Living

A program of skits tuned to modern day living was presented Tuesday at the annual January potluck meeting of the Women of Trinity in the church parlors.

Taking part in the skits of the "Woman to Woman" program were Mrs. Gearhart Backlund, Mrs. Robert Roeser and Mrs. Glenn Larson, "At the Supermarket;" Mrs. James Ingleton and Mrs. Regner Hoyer, "Over the Cup of Coffee;" Mrs. James Henderson and Mrs. Lawrence Peterson, "A Hot Dish for the Hansens;" Mrs. Grace Hagnas and Mrs. Fred Nordstrom, "At the Beauty Shop;" Mrs. Williamson and Mrs. Elmer Blomquist, "Attacking the Weeds;" and Mrs. Elsa Simonsen, Mrs. Marion Swift and Miss Esther Larson, "Coffee Break." Mrs. Jack Wood led in discussion of the skits, reviewing the impressions and opportunities missed or gained in inviting others to church and to its functions.

Letters from the Kiserawa school for Girls in Tanganyika and the Claire Hobarth school for the Blind in Laredo, Tex., were read expressing their appreciation for the supplies recently sent to them.

Mrs. Glenn Larson of the Ruth unit read the devotions. Lois Uni was in charge of the potluck luncheon.

Trinity Lutheran Women's Lunch 's Lighthearted

Women of Trinity Lutheran church were honored recently with a luncheon served in the church parlors, and guest speakers and a style show comprising the program.

Mrs. Bruce Pond introduced Miss Hannele Hakala of Finland and Harold Bull of Norway, exchange students at Astoria high school, who gave descriptions of their native lands, followed by a question and answer period.

A "zany" hat show, featuring outmoded hats, was presented, with Mrs. Edmund Elliott as commentator. Laughter and applause greeted models Mrs. Chester Balsley and Mrs. Vernon Leach.

Mrs. Marion Swift read "A Homemaker's Psalm" as part of the devotions and also accompanied the hymn singing.

Door prizes were won by Mrs. William Holt, Mrs. Charles Swanson and Mrs. F. Fager.

Ivy garlands and white camellias were used in decorating the tables and a colorful miniature hat was placed at each table setting. Further carrying out the hat theme were name tags in the shape of hats for each guest.

Serving the tasty luncheon were five of Trinity Lutheran's "adopted daughters" from Bonanza residence hall at the Job Corps center.

Co-chairmen in charge of the luncheon arrangements were Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. William Niemi. Table decorations were done by Mrs. Balsley and Mrs. Edwin Luoma, and Ruth unit was in charge of clean-up.

LCW Study Lent Around the World

Lent as observed in Africa, India, Japan and Hong Kong was portrayed as the program "Lent Around the World" at the meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women recently.

Taking part with Mrs. Gerhart Balsley, who was in charge of the program, were Mrs. Esther Larson, Mrs. Glenn Larson, Mrs. Marian Swift and Mrs. E. C. Elliott. To further carry out the theme, was a display of articles from each country represented.

Mrs. William Niemi, president, announced her nominating committee as follows: Mrs. Bruce Pond, chairman, Miss Esther Lawrence Peterson and Mrs. Swift.

Plans to serve Trinity' LCW's "adopted" Cadre 7 of the Job Corps on St. Patrick's day were formulated.

Birthday greetings were sent to Mrs. Henrietta Lindberg, member of Trinity and a missionary to Tanzania, East Africa, and to Mrs. Iren Nelson, wife of Trinity's former pastor and now missionary in Motevideo, Uruguay, South America.

During the social hour refreshments were served from a table centered with Japanese quince. Ruth unit members served as hostesses.

Trinity Group Gains Insight Into Mission

"A Helping Hand for Bethphage," the theme for the September meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women, was carried out in an inspirational filmstrip Tuesday at a potluck luncheon in the church parlors.

"The Bethphage Family Album" gave an insight of Bethphage Mission in Axtell, Neb., showing many pictures of "them that are in bonds." It was for the afflicted that Bethphage Mission was founded. As a fall project TLCW will be sending needed articles to the mission.

During the business meeting the following officers for the ensuing year were installed by Pastor Bruce Pond who also presented a devotional message: president, Mrs. William Niemi; vice president, Mrs. Fred Jauert; treasurer, Mrs. Vernon Leach; education chairman, Mrs. Bruce Pond; secretary, Mrs. Richard Nelson; membership chairman, Mrs. Edmund Elliott; service chairman, Mrs. Nels Rasmussen; Mary Martha unit officers, Mrs. Howard McRostie, chairman, and Miss Gertrude Johnson, recorder; Lois unit officers, Mrs. Elliott, chairman, and Mrs. Henry Larson, recorder; Ruth unit officers, Mrs. Glenn Larson, chairman, and Mrs. Edwin Luoma, recorder. Mrs. Jauert was unanimously elected vice president to replace Mrs. Alta Schalk who will be married to Tom Weir of Canada October 8.

The following announcements were made by Mrs. Pond: TLCW will visit their "adopted" Job Corps, Cadre 7, Thursday, September 22, at 11 a.m. to do mending for the trainees; Mrs. Glenn Larson will represent TLCW as delegate to Pacific Northwest Synodical convention in Salem, September 22-24; Mt. Hood District assembly will meet Thursday, October 20. Mrs. Pond also told of the various courses to be offered from the junior, senior, youth and adult material of the Parish Education curriculum, with the goal that each confirmed member would participate in at least one course during the year. A choir school for third graders through high school to be led by Ed Abrahamson and Mrs. Joyce Lundholm on Sunday mornings will provide instruction of the music of the church, meaning of the service and participation in the worship of the congregation.

Mrs. Marion Swift accompanied the hymn singing. Mrs. William Seeborg narrated the filmstrip. Ruth unit was in charge of the potluck arrangements and decorations of autumn leaves, dahlias and yellow tapers.

Christmas Cards Are Theme for TLCW Meeting

A variety of handmade Christmas cards depicting the picture, the verse, and room for a personal message were illustrated by four large paintings to Trinity Lutheran churchwomen. Mrs. Shannon White, Seaside, painted the pictures which were a part of the "More Than a Merry Christmas" program of Trinity Lutheran Church Women Tuesday evening in the church parlors. Mrs. White's pictures were on loan from the Seaside library, where they are being shown during the Christmas season.

Why certain types of cards are selected by the sender was told in a skit presented by Mrs. E. C. Elliott, Mrs. Annetta Swanson, Mrs. William Briggs, Mrs. Bruce Pond and Mrs. Howard McCrostie.

Different expressions and meaning in Christmas cards were noted by the members who told their impressions of the types of cards being circulated around the room. Some of the many kinds mentioned were religious, beauty of nature, architectural, modern art, commercial messages, historical and humorous.

Mrs. Elsa Simonson gave a history of the custom of sending Christmas cards and how it began.

Uses for cards after Christmas were discussed, resulting in projects for the coming year such as making scrap books for shut - ins, use in Sunday School classes, occupational therapy and others.

Mrs. Lawrence Peterson gave the devotions. Others taking part in the program were Mrs. Jeffrey Lampa, Mrs. Edwin Luoma, Mrs. Henry Larson, Mrs. Alberta Mathre and Mrs. William Seeborg. Mrs. Robert Morrison accompanied the hymn singing and game.

Goods for Christmas baskets and a money tree for the Rocky Boy Indian mission in Box Elder, Mont., were received at the meeting.

Christmas cards, greens, holly and red candles were used in decorating. Mrs. Swanson poured, and Mary Martha unit served the refreshments.

TLCW Installs, Looks Ahead to Full Calendar

The summer vacation of Trinity Lutheran Church Women was terminated this week with a luncheon meeting and work project Tuesday in the church parlors.

Following the potluck lunch, officers for the coming year were installed by Trinity's pastor, the Rev. Bruce E. Pond, who also brought a message and prayer. Installed were: Mrs. William Niemi, president; Mrs. M. Swift, vice president; Mrs. Richard Nelson, secretary; Mrs. Bruce Pond, education chairman; Mrs. Nels Rassmussen, service chairman; Lois unit officers: Mrs. E. C. Elliott, chairman and Mrs. Henry Larson, recorder; Mary Martha unit, Mrs. Vernon Leach, chairman and Mrs. Alberta Mathre, recorder; Ruth unit, Mrs. Ed Luoma and Mrs. Niemi, chairmen and Mrs. Arthur Stromsness, recorder.

Project worked on included sewing of woolen remnants into quilts for Lutheran World Relief for India, rolling bandages, gathering food coupons, coffee lids and stamps. Another work day will be scheduled later in the month to continue sewing on the quilts urgently needed in India.

Mrs. Pond read a thank-you note from the Job Corps at Tongue Point thanking Trinity Women for cookies recently taken to them.

Mrs. Pond announced that a membership tea will be held Wednesday, October 4, at 8 p.m.; that Mt. Hood District assembly will be held in St. Helens, Thursday, October 19; that there is a possibility of adopting a resident unit at Tongue Point; that World Community day will be November 3, and that the annual Lutheran World Relief Thanksgiving clothing appeal will again take place this fall.

Mrs. Chester Balsey read the devotions. Ruth unit was in charge of the luncheon.

TLCW Observes 450th Year Of Reformation

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A program centered around the 450th anniversary of the Reformation was the inspiration for the meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women Tuesday noon in the church parlors.

The Rev. Bruce Pond, Trinity's pastor, was the speaker. The Rev. Mr. Pond based his talk on the seasonal themes of the church year, stating among other things, "that the Reformation calls us back to these basic themes." Besides "recalling us to the simple things of the faith, the Reformation gives new substance to the church."

After a potluck lunch members sang hymns, among which was Martin Luther's "A Mighty Fortress is Our God." Mrs. Marion Swift was the accompanist.

Mrs. E. C. Elliott read the devotions and presented the dedication service for the "Love Offering," an annual Thanksgiving donation. A green paper tree, made by Miss Eleanor Iverson, simulating a fruit tree and inscribed "Love is a Fruit," held some of the offering envelopes.

Tuesday, November 14, Trinity women will again visit Resident unit 5 at Tongue Point at 11:45 a.m. The Lutheran World Relief drive is scheduled for November 27, and other November unit projects include Christmas gifts for Rocky Boy Mission at Box Elder, Mont.; a dinner for all Lutherans in Clatsop county to be held Saturday, November 18, at the Student Union of Clatsop college; and the next LCW meeting Wednesday, December 13 at 8 p.m. entitled "Old Fashioned Christmas."

Mary Martha unit was in charge of the potluck luncheon.

Trinity Lutheran Luncheon Has Foreign Flavor

An international flavor in food, decorations and program was evident at the Mothers' luncheon of Trinity Lutheran church women this week.

Tables in the church parlors were decorated with articles from numerous foreign countries including Sweden, Finland, Norway, Denmark, Ireland, Germany, Africa and India. White dogwood blossoms in an Oriental - style arrangement decorated the buffet table, where foods, representative of the various nations, were served. Fortune cookie favors provided an amusing diversion during the luncheon.

Featured on the program were foreign exchange students, Wipha Sae - Lee from Thailand and Laurie Seeborg, who spent last summer in Finland. Miss Seeborg is the daughter of city school superintendent and Mrs. Roy Seeborg. Slides were shown by both girls. Those by Miss Sae-Lee of her native country and by Miss Seeborg of her "adoptive home" near Helsinki and the surrounding area. The girls spoke of their experiences and the lands to which they were assigned. They both wore national costumes and Miss Sae-Lee demonstrated various Thai dances. Miss Seeborg is the host "sister" to Miss Sae-Lee who will soon complete her year's stay and is a senior at Astoria high school. Both girls have appeared at numerous civic functions in recent months, presenting their views of the foreign exchange movement.

Mrs. Bruce E. Pond presided in the absence of President Mrs. William Niemi who is recovering from surgery. She announced that another workday would be held May 11 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. to complete rolling bandages and assembling other articles for the barrel to be sent to Tanzania, where Mrs. Henrieta Lindberg, a member of Trinity Lutheran church, is a missionary teacher. Devotions were read by Mrs. E. C. Elliott.

Co-hostesses in charge of the luncheon arrangements were Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Chester Balsley. Serving on the decorating committee were Mrs. Larry Snyder, Mrs. Ed Luoma and Mrs. Gunnar Johanson.

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Church Holds Spring Tea

Slides taken on their two trips to Peru were shown by Mr. and Mrs. Lauri Pernu at a recent afternoon Spring Tea given by Trinity Lutheran Church Women in the church parlors.

They showed pictures of their daughter, Judy, who at that time, was serving with the Peace Corps in Peru, showing the various phases of her work with the natives in the mountain region where she was stationed. Scenes of high mountain passes and other scenic views of the country were depicted, with particular emphasis being placed on the work of the Peace Corps and its effect on the inhabitants of some of the villages.

May 1, the May Fellowship meeting of Church Women United will be hosted by Trinity Lutheran Church Women at Trinity Lutheran church with a salad luncheon being planned.

A Mother - Daughter dinner will be an evening event May 5 at 6:30 instead of the usual noon luncheon held in previous years to enable working mothers and daughters to attend.

An arrangement of yellow tulips and yellow candles graced the tea table from which dainty sandwiches and cookies were served. Pink camellias centered each card table where the guests were seated.

Devotions were read by Eleanor Iverson. The committee in charge of the tea were Mrs. Bruce Pond, Mrs. Gunnar Johanson and Mrs. William Niemi.

TLCW Views Plan For Astoria's Beautification

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Robert Chopping of the City Planning commission, in a speech at the October meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church Women in the parish house, outlined plans for the development and beautification of downtown Astoria. He showed slides of Astoria and improved communities where similar problems had existed. In the pictorial comparisons., Chopping showed the possibilities for a mall with trees, shrubs, covered walkways and off-street parking, all geared to the convenience of shoppers.

During a brief business meeting conducted by Mrs. Marion Swift, vice - president, the following officers were installed by the Rev. Bruce Pond: Mrs. Chester Balsley, membership chairman; Mrs. Edmund Elliott, secretary; Mrs. Vernon Leach, treasurer; Mrs. Victor Mattila, Mary Martha, unit chairman; and Mrs. Alberta Mathre, Mary Martha unit recorder.

Preceding Chopping's talk, a Bible study on the book of Jonah was led by Mrs. Pond.

The next general meeting, November 5, will be a short retreat.

From a table centered with autumn colored dahlias, chrysanthemums and candles, refreshments were served by the Mary Martha unit.

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